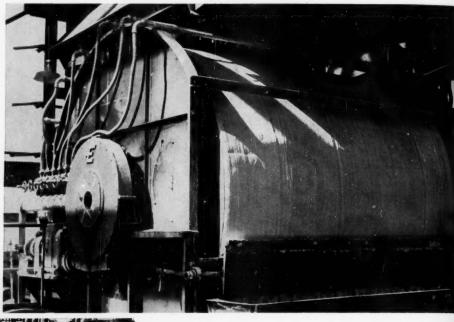
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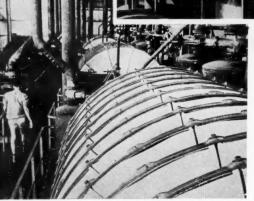
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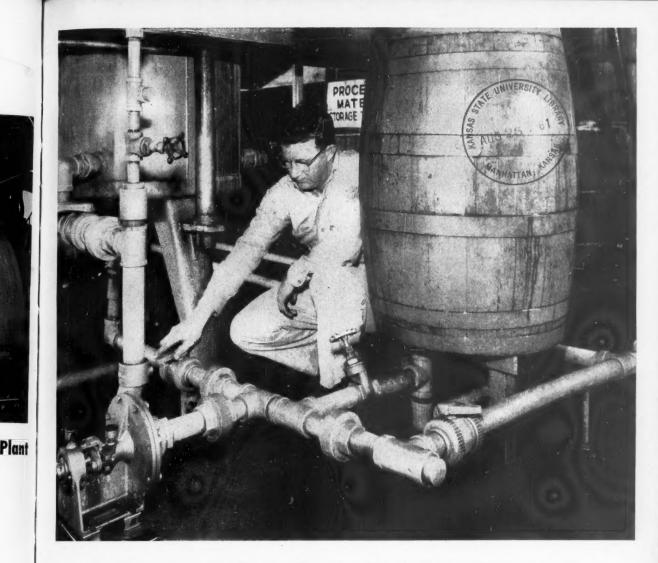
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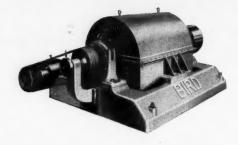
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how to meter acids accurately against pressure

Corrosive liquids present two major obstacles to achieving maximum metering accuracy, economy, and safety. For one thing, corrosion can introduce an intolerable everchanging volumetric error. For another, leakage can endanger personnel and necessitate the premature replacement of pump parts and associated equipment.

But both obstacles can be successfully overcome. First by choosing the right pump for the metering job at hand. Second, by making sure that all wetted parts of the pump chosen are inert to the liquid being metered. Here are some ideas based on practical acid metering experience that may help you to choose the best controlled volume pump for your metering needs.

Packed Plunger Pumps

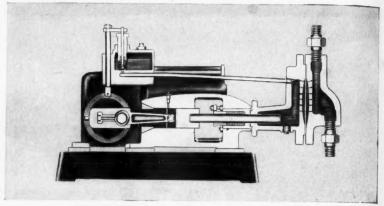
For the majority of mildly corrosive liquids, low cost packed plunger pumps have proved themselves entirely adequate. Some thirteen materials of construction are standard on packed plunger pumps, running from cast iron to Hastelloy B and C, more than enough to satisfy mild corrosive metering requirements. Capacities to 2056 gph, pressures up to 50,000 psi.

An added tip: Standard Milton Roy motor driven pumps in corrosive service can be equipped with "catch-all" yoke type gland fol-

Diaphragm Liquid Ends

When the liquid to be metered is highly corrosive or otherwise dangerous, a controlled volume pump with diaphragm liquid end is the best choice. A plastic or stainless steel diaphragm positively separates the process liquid and the plunger. The plunger displaces a hydraulic fluid which in turn strokes the diaphragm to create pumping action through the ball checks. Consistently high accuracy is achieved through unique design features. As the illustration shows, positive mechanical action bleeds any air or vapor from the hydraulic side between strokes and corrects liquid volume if necessary. Internal liquid end design also automatically eliminates bubbles from the process liquid side.

Very often, a pump chosen for mild corrosive service is obsoleted



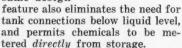
Controlled Volume Pump With Diaphragm Liquid End

by a process change specifying a more highly corrosive liquid. The diaphragm liquid end illustrated can easily be substituted for the conventional liquid end on any standard motor driven controlled volume pump, bringing the entire metering system up to date at little extra expense. Designs of this type will handle up to 400 gph against heads to 2700 psi.

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The Acid Metering System

You can be fairly sure of making the right choice only if you consider all the factors. Here are several points that are often overlooked: J. Elt

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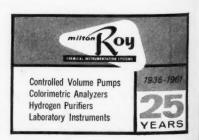
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- Is the entire system corrosionresistant . . . storage tank, suction and discharge piping, controlled volume pump, and relief valve?
- Thoroughly consider the physical properties of the liquid. High vapor pressure or high specific gravity liquids may demand a suction head.
- Consider plant and personnel safety under all possible conditions.
- Consider maintenance as well as first cost in determining the economics of the system.

If precision pumping of dangerous chemicals is one of your problems, look again to Milton Roy's 25 years of experience for your most economical solution. Write for a general introduction to controlled volume pumping in Bulletin 553-1. Milton Roy Company, 1300 East Mermaid Lane, Phila. 18, Pa.



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RADIATION AVAILABLE FOR PROCESSING

Got any chemical processes that could be economically triggered with gamma radiation at \$1.20/kwh.? Low-cost by-product radiation will soon be available from the new Hallam sodium-graphite reactor. E. G. Lowell, chemical engineer with Atomics International, presents here (p. 107) an economic analysis of chemical processing possibilities based on radioactive Na-24 from the reactor's primary cooling circuit.

BULLISH OUTLOOK SIRES METHYLAMINES BOOST

Rohm & Haas's new methylamines unit at Philadelphia is featured in our Process Flowsheet (p. 100). Although methylamines go into many other chemicals, big potential outlet is for making unsymmetrical dimethyl hydrazine rocket fuel, a derivative of dimethylamine.

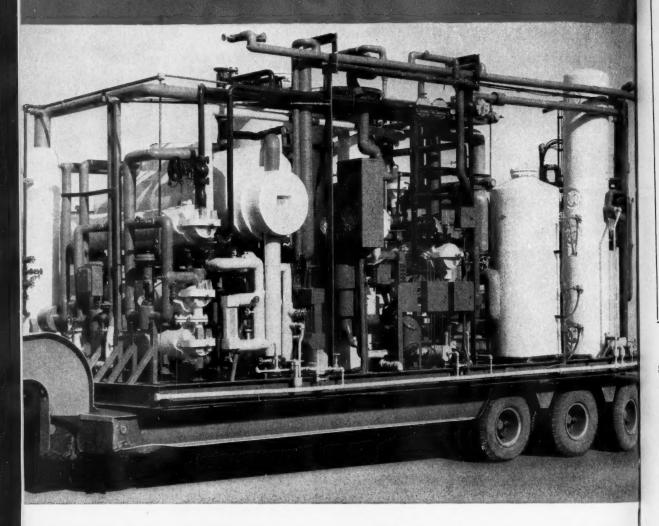
UNIFYING BASIC TRANSFER THEORIES

Study of transport phenomena provides a fundamental insight into the principles underlying chemical engineering unit operations, since transfer of heat, mass and momentum all follow similar laws. Now beginning (p. 126) is a four-part Refresher series on this basic subject, written by L. D. Smoot, assistant professor of chemical engineering at Brigham Young University. If you're rusty on your chemical engineering science, here's your chance to brush up.

THE CPI LOOKS AT EQUIPMENT LEASING

Any business growing at a rate of 40%/yr. justifies close analysis. That's why Operation & Maintenance Editor Herb Popper looked into the booming business of equipment leasing (p. 136). Here's what he found: "Looking at the chemical equipment field as a whole, nobody expects leasing to overshadow purchasing, but it may become considerably more popular."

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Sulfuric Acid Plant Costs

Sir:

In your Mar. 20 Cost File there appears on p. 184 a graph of plant investment vs. capacity for sulfuric acid plants.

What is the basis for the costs? Are they turnkey battery-limits costs, or do they represent plants complete with normal non-process (off-site) facilities?

Slope of the curve appears greater than what our cost experience would indicate to be normal. Our data on a number of plants shows a 0.61 slope, which checks closely with the 0.6 power brought out by Duecker and West ("Manufacture of Sulfuric Acid," p. 239, Reinhold, 1959).

J. H. JENSEN

Western Knapp Engineering Co. San Francisco, Calif.

Sir:

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The nature of the plants covered in our study was primarily "new producing units located within a previously developed plant site." We did not have enough information on sulfuric acid plants to cover the other two project classifications (new grass-roots plants and enlargement of existing units), as was done in a few of our other

Slope of the line, which we showed as about 0.90, was simply the result of plotting costs for a number of plants for which we had what we considered to be reliable cost information. We note that Chilton ("Cost Engineering in the Process Industries," p. 282, McGraw-Hill, 1960) shows a factor of 0.63 for sulfuric acid made from sulfur and 0.91 for sulfuric acid made from smelter gas. However, I must admit that our studies were essentially devoted to acid made from sulfur.

It has been my personal experience that any production increase in a given plant always required a considerable expenditure, since most of the avenues of process techniques have been fairly well explored. Within the past ten

years or so the trend has been to a more concentrated burner gas (up to 12% SO₂), coupled with more gas cooling equipment, which in turn should improve the conversion.

I would imagine that the effect of this type of improvement would be to lower the slope of the curve, and I certainly do not wish to oppose those whose experience in the field shows that the slope is lower than our 0.90. An important intangible cost item which we sometimes find baffling is a good definition of capitalized costs vs. expensed items.

All in all, I am gratified by any response from your readers which can help clarify the oftentimes nebulous field of project cost estimation.

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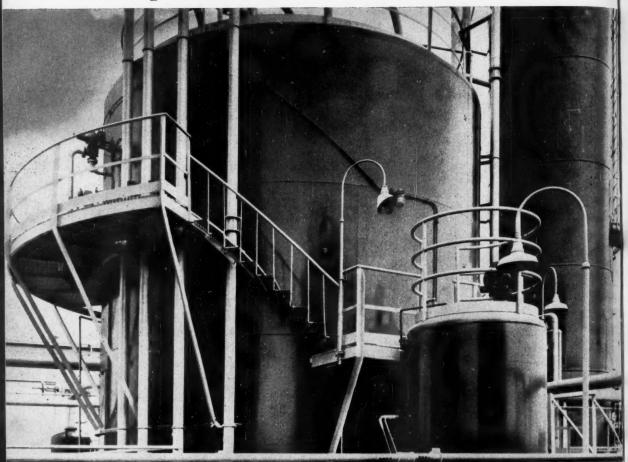
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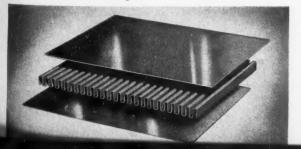
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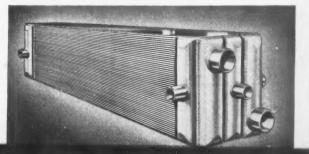
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TERCHANGEABILITY — and results in lowered INVENTORIES.

The exterior of this versatile instrument is formed of the new corrosion resistant FIBER GLASS material, and the door is gasketed with tenacious polyvinyl chloride. When panel space is lacking, another pointer can be added to measure an ADDITIONAL variable. Also, this device can be used as a field-mounted instrument—with control or transmission at the very point of measurement.

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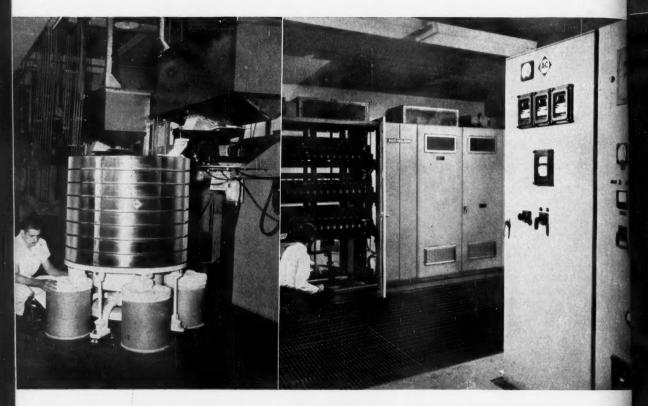
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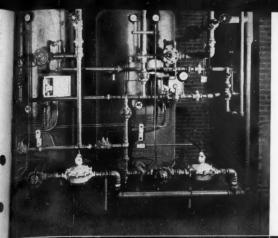


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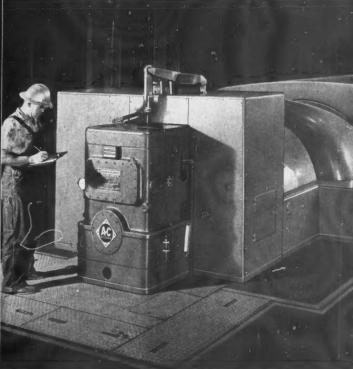
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- KEL-F 81 Plastic is available in several forms to provide highest adaptability to customers' processing.

The New Plant

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- Now on stream at Decatur, Alabama . . . newest, most modern chemical plant devoted exclusively to the production of quality fluorochemicals.
- Latest processing and quality control equipment, designed by one of the pioneers in fluorochemistry and fluorochemicals production.
- Production versatility that can move swiftly from pilot stage to full production of products adaptable to a wide range of customers' needs.
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KEL-F 81 PLASTIC

KEL-F 81 Plastic is a fluorocarbon plastic, a thermoplastic resin formed by the homo-polymerization of chlorotrifluoroethylene. The high degree of fluorination of KEL-F 81 Plastic is responsible for its chemical inertness and thermal stability. The inclusion of chlorine in an otherwise carbon-fluorine molecule results in exceptional moldability and mechanical toughness.

Crystallinity. KEL-F 81 Plastic is crystallizable, but not necessarily crystalline, the degree and kind of crystallinity in a given sample being a function of its thermal history. The "quick quenched" resin is spoken of as amorphous, and the "slow-cooled" resin as crystalline. When crystalline, KEL-F 81 Plastic is a denser, more translucent material with higher tensile modulus, lower elongation, and greater resistance to the penetration of liquids and vapors. The amorphous plastic is less dense, more elastic, with greater optical clarity and toughness.

Physical Properties. The physical properties of KEL-F 81 Plastic combine mechanical, chemical, electrical, and optical advantages. And the most useful applications center around combinations of the following properties:

- 1. Useful temperature range: from -400°F. to +400°F.
- 2. Resistance to deformation and flow at high temperatures, pressures
- 3. Zero moisture absorption
- 4. Abrasion resistance
- 5. Radiation resistance
- 6. Chemical resistance
- 7. Electrical properties
- 8. Infra-red transmission 9. Inert to liquid oxygen
- 10. Flexible in contact with cryogenic fuels

Processing. KEL-F 81 Plastic can be processed in the same manner as other thermoplastic resins. Parts of KEL-F 81 Plastic may be specified in any form. However, because of time and temperature limitations, compression molding is the ideal method for retaining all of the desirable mechanical properties originally built into the basic polymer. Other processing methods, such as injection molding and extruding can be used to achieve the same degree of quality, but special attention to processing techniques is required to avoid excessive degradation.

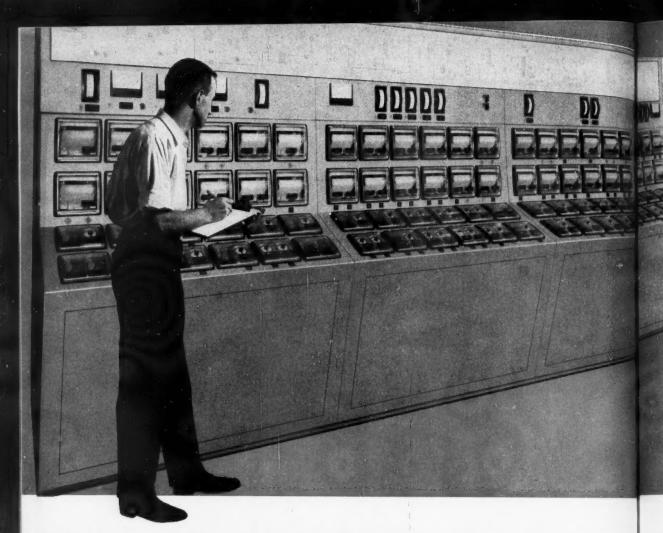
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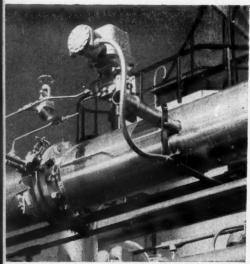
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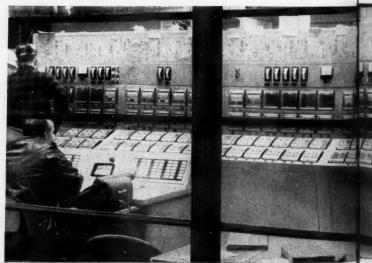


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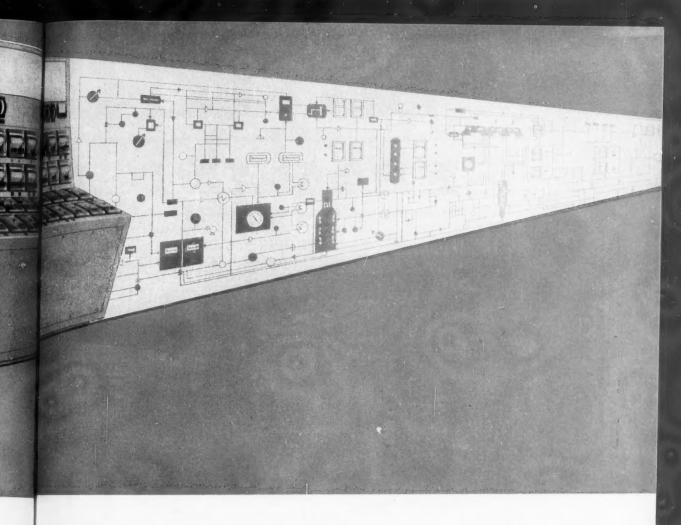
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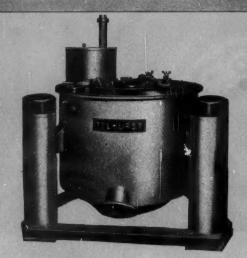
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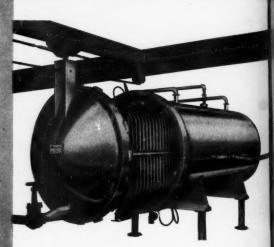
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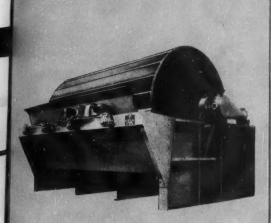
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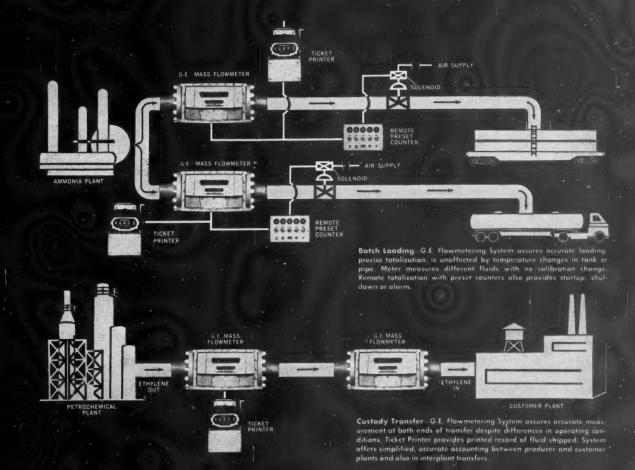
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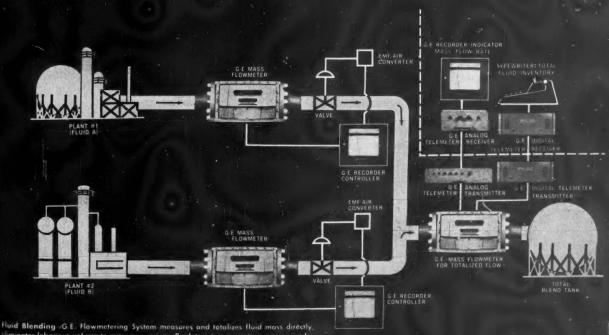


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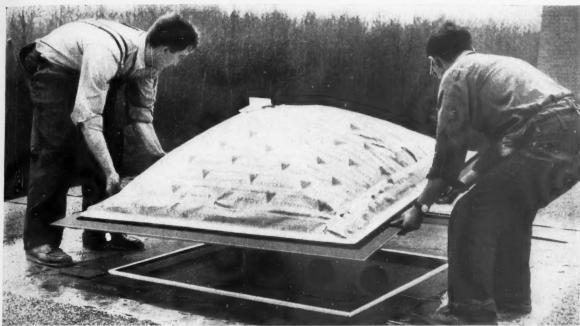
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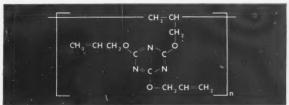


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- 1] The first solid-state digital computer on the market was Recomp II. The finest computer on the market is still Recomp II. Recomp II's dedicated engineers are determined that the situation shall remain this way; they have an obsessive regard for this precise machine they have so carefully developed.
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- 5] The speed of the new magnetic tape

- control described above is quite remarkable, too. Read and write speed is 1850 characters a second; bidirectional search speed is 55 inches per second.
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- 7] Recomp II seems to have more built-in features than a dream-home kitchen. It has built-in square root command. Built-in automatic conversion from decimal to binary.
- 8] Would you say that a RUG is important to a computer? Well, it is. The RUG we mean is Recomp Users Group. This is a highly active group, sharing up-to-date information, and keeping in close contact by monthly bulletins. A consideration not to be overlooked when buying a computer.
- 9] Always the darling of the mediumscale computer user, Recomp II has been so well accepted that it can now be offered at a significantly lower price. It still provides, etc., etc.



- 10] Recomp's keyboard, which you can see above, looks easy to operate. It is. And because it requires no specialized talents, anyone with computer problems can be taught to use Recomp II. Quite a handy machine to have around.
- 11] Recomp II can easily be installed anywhere, requiring no more electricity than an ordinary electric toaster.
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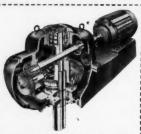
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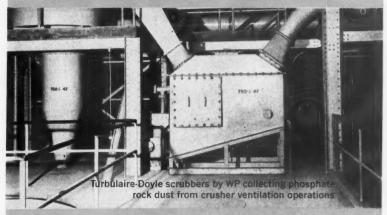
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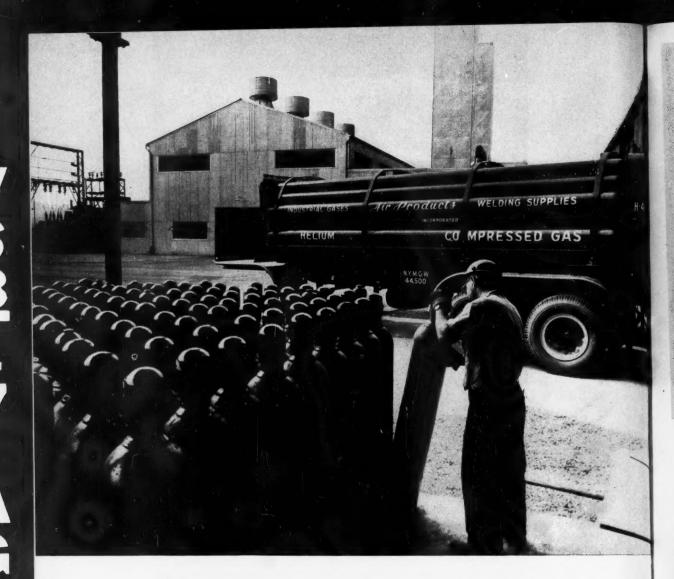
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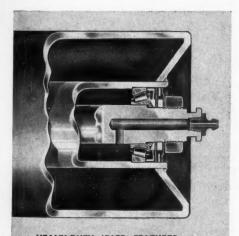
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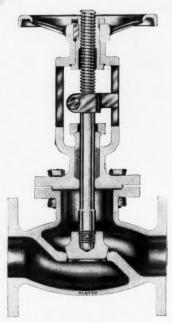


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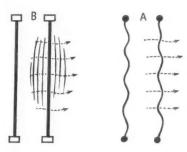


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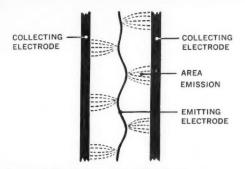
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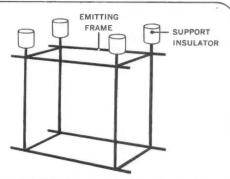
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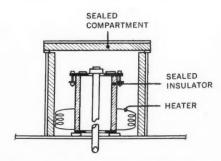
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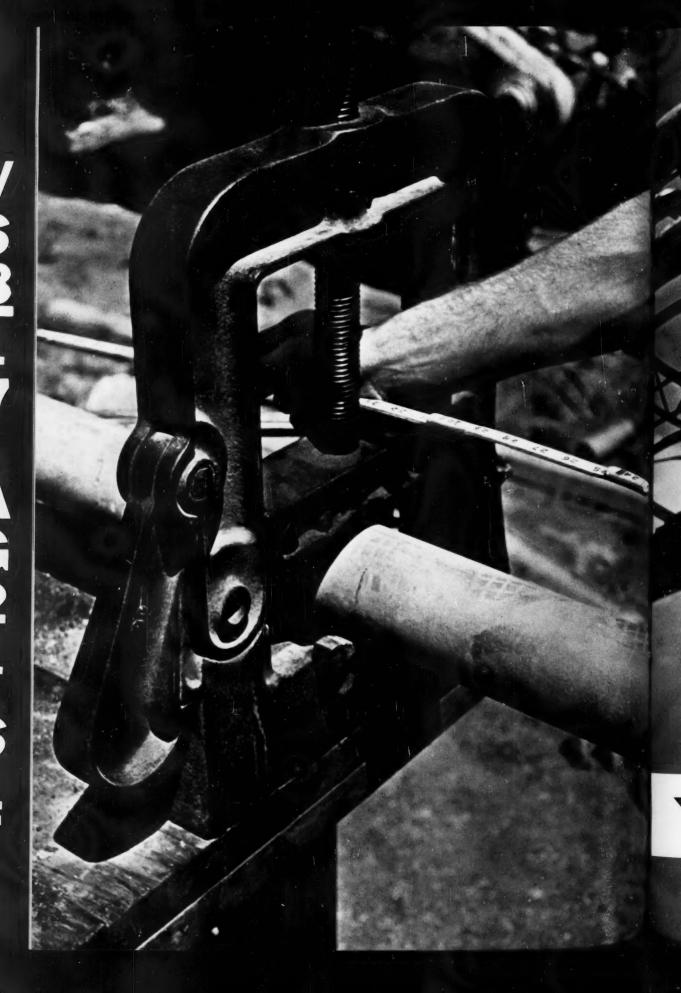
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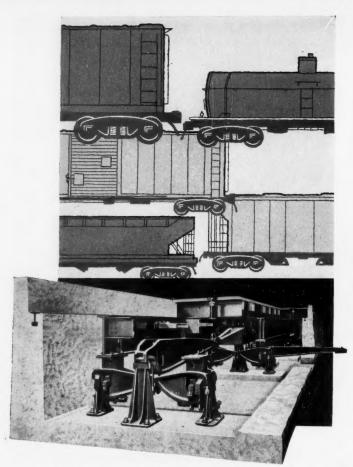
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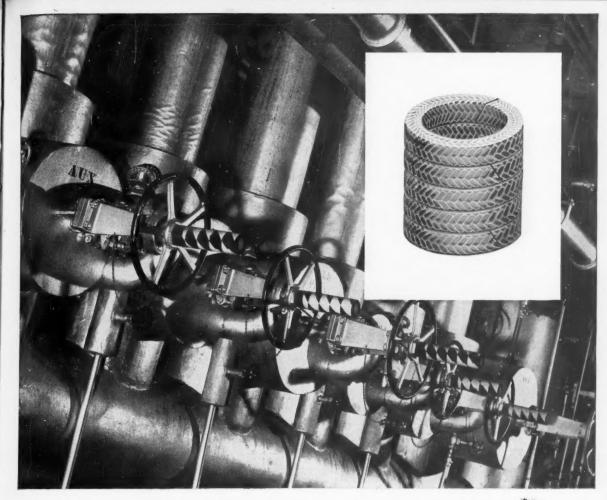
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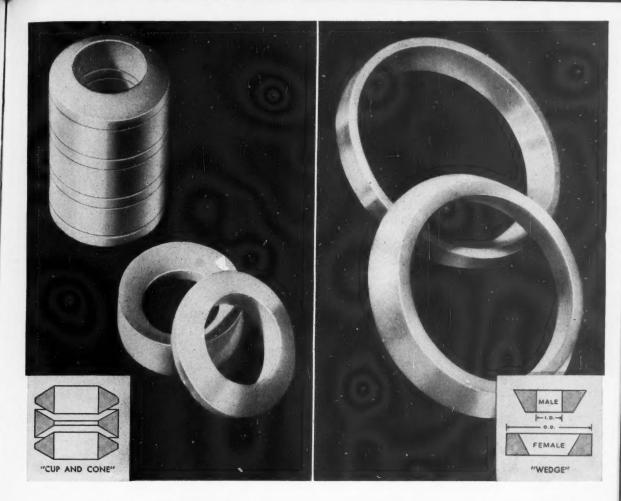
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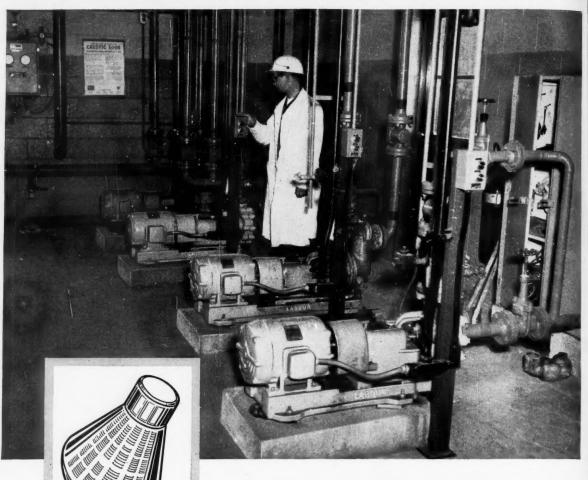
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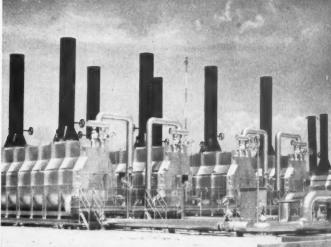
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New Shawinigan process lowers production cost of hydrogen cyanide

A new hydrogen cyanide process, developed by Shawinigan Chemicals Ltd. of Canada and available through The Lummus Company, produces HCN from ammonia and hydrocarbon (methane or propane) in a non-catalytic, oxygen-free reaction. The process — first commercial application of the "FLUOHMIC" reactor — offers low production costs and ease of operation.

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How the Process Works

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Process Advantages

Some major advantages of this process are: (1) Absence of water from the effluent gas. This eliminates the problem of tarry polymer formation in the cooling and recovery section. (2) Considerable reduction in unreacted ammonia in the effluent gas. This eliminates the problem of recovery or disposal of unreacted ammonia. A typical carry-through ammonia content would be 0.3 volume % on net reactor effluent. (3) Greatly reduced stringency in feed-stock purity requirements. This is a natural result of the elimination of catalysts



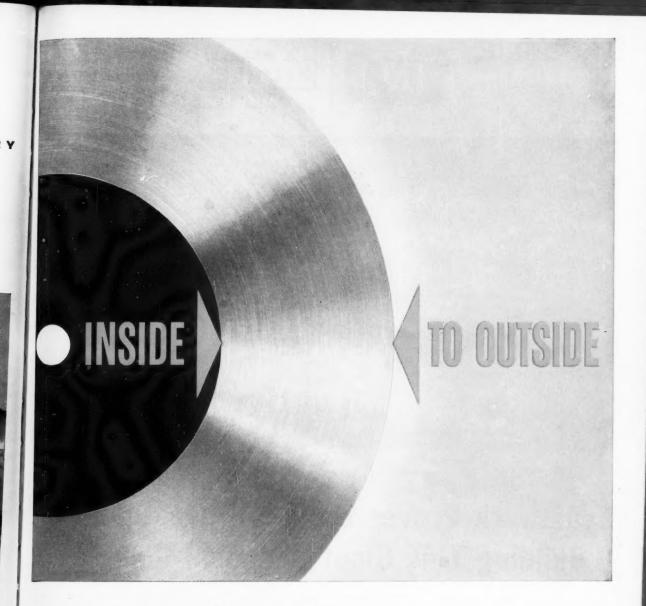
View of the Hydrogen Cyanide Reactor in operation at The Shawinigan Chemicals Limited Cyanide Plant.

from the process. (4) Flexibility in choice of hydrocarbon feed. L.P.G. can be used where natural gas supply is unavailable or interruptible. (5) Operating rates are flexible. Units will perform well at rates as low as 25% of capacity. (6) High concentration of HCN in the reactor effluent. This may be 5-6 times as high as in present commercial processes.

For further details on this process, contact your nearest Lummus office.

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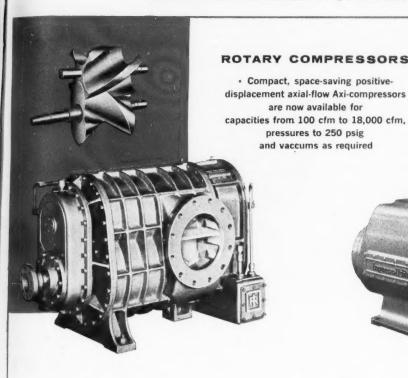
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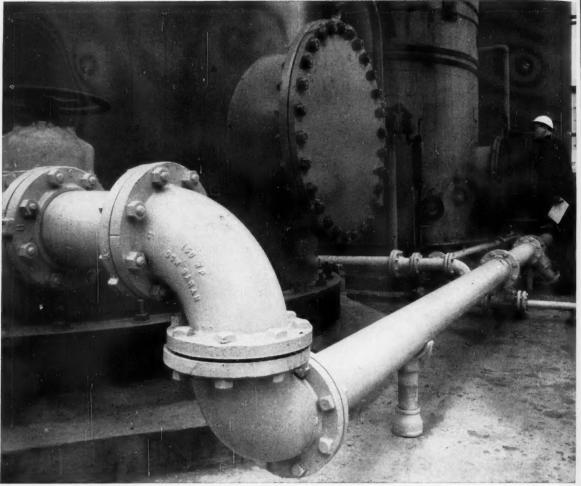


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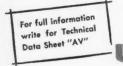
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Top news stories and what they mean to CPI technical decision-makers

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Isocyanates get more capacity as nonpolymer demand grows

Besides the well-known market in urethane foams, isocyanate sales for chemical intermediates are also zooming. As a result, Mobay Chemical Co. is more than doubling capacity for various isocyanates at New Martinsville, W. Va., and Ott Chemical Co., Muskegon, Mich., will soon expand capacity for specialty isocyanates by 200%. Among Mobay's additional output of several hundred tons per month will be m- and p- chlorophenyl isocyanates, octadecyl isocyanate and phenyl isocyanate. Ott's current output of substituted aryl monoisocyanates will be supplemented by the aliphatics, ethyl and methyl isocyanates.

These isocyanate chemicals are finding most use in pharmacological areas, e.g., drugs for humans and animals, and as plant and animal pesticides.

They can form carbamates as well as urethanes, which is the basis for a new class of carbamate-type insecticides (such as Union Carbide's Sevin). These materials are expected to displace chlorinated and phosphated insecticides because of the carbamates' combination of effectiveness and safety.

It's estimated that the isocyanate market in intermediates is as large and fast-growing as the more-publicized coatings market for tolylene diisocyanate. This would put intermediate consumption at 5-10 million lb./yr. Growth rate of better than 30%/yr. through 1965 is forecast for intermediates, as well as for other volume uses of isocyanates (except for rigid urethane foams, expected to sprint more than 75%/yr.).

Countercurrent pulping proves out on soda process. Is kraft next?

Taking continuous pulp digestion one step further, Australia's Associated Pulp & Paper Mills, Ltd., has come up with a countercurrent digestion process. It was accomplished by modifying a

Kamyr continuous digester, which usually operates cocurrently (*Chem. Eng.*, Sept. 21, 1959, pp. 131-139).

Main advantages of countercurrent digestion are reduced chemical consumption and a whiter pulp that can be bleached without further washing. The Australian development, however, was made with a soda process. Industry men are now wondering if these advantages could be obtained in a kraft process, since most Kamyr units in the U. S. are built for kraft operation.

Since kraft pulping chemicals are recovered, reduction in chemical loss from the digester would only mean a reduced load on the recovery plant. (In soda process, spent liquor is discarded, so digester loss reductions are more significant.)

But there are indications that countercurrent kraft pulping might effect a saving in bleach chemicals, since sulfides are removed from the pulp as they are formed in the digester. According to trade reports, mill-scale tests of this system will be taking place shortly in the U. S.

In Associated Pulp's process, water is injected into the bottom of the digester, washing the descending pulp before blowdown. The general flow of cooking liquor is upward, with spent black liquor being withdrawn from the top screen belt of the Kamyr unit.

Gulf Coast gets ready for another ethylene-propylene complex

Emphasizing the growing string of claims that oil companies are staking out in the chemical business, Gulf Oil Corp. has announced plans for an extensive petrochemical complex on Cedar Bayou, Tex., about 30 miles east of Houston. From the initial description, it appears that Gulf has in mind an integrated complex like the one Monsanto is now building on Chocolate Bayou, 35 miles to the south.

First unit at Gulf's site will be a 400-millionlb./yr. ethylene unit, which is slated to be completed by mid-1963. A high-purity propylene unit will be added shortly afterward.

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Shell Chemical's new Pent-Oxone* and Pent-Oxol* high boiling solvents give you <u>flexibility never before possible</u> in high-low solvent systems for acrylic lacquers

New Pent-Oxone solvent is Shell's remarkable keto-ether. New Pent-Oxol solvent is a glycol ether.

Both are true high boilers which impart gloss to acrylic lacquers. They virtually <u>triple</u> the number of effective acrylic solvents you can choose from in the high boiling range.

For details, see below—and send for Shell's new technical bulletins.

As you know, high-low solvent systems for acrylic lacquers place a heavy burden on high boiling solvents. For years, ethylene glycol monoethyl ether acetate has carried most of this burden alone.

Now, Shell Chemical has developed two new high boilers which lighten this load and give you a flexibility which has hitherto been missing in acrylic lacquer formulation.

Solution viscosity data

Both Pent-Oxone and Pent-Oxol solvents are highly active. Here is how they compare with EGMEE acetate in solution viscosity (cps.) for three widely used Bohm & Haas acrylic resins:

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	A-21	B-44	B-66
Pent-Oxone solvent	22	20	15
EGMEE acetate	26	23	16
Pent-Oxol solvent	30	25	25

All three resins were reduced to 15 per cent by weight as follows: A-21 with 45 parts toluene, 5 parts butyl alcohol and 50 parts indicated solvent; B-44 with 26.5 parts toluene and 73.5 parts solvent; B-66 with solvent alone.





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Unrubbed acrylic lacquer with Shell's Pent-Oxone solvent, left, gives greater gloss reading (77) than identical formulation with equivalent amount of EGMEE acetate (72). Pent-Oxol solvent gives similar high gloss levels in acrylic lacquers.

Gives high gloss levels

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New technical bulletins

New technical bulletins are available from Shell on Pent-Oxone and PentOxol solvents. Bulletin A deals with the physical properties of these products. Bulletin B deals with their use in acrylic lacquers.

For these bulletins, plus samples of Pent-Oxone and Pent-Oxol solvents, write to any of Shell's 9 Industrial Chemical Division offices or directly to Shell Chemical Co., 110 West 51 Street, New York 20, New York. *Trademark, Shell Chemical Company

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Already supplying ethylene from its Port Arthur, Tex., refinery, Gulf will be doubling its capacity with the Cedar Bayou plant. Significantly, this is the first petrochemical plant the company has located outside one of its refineries. This break-away from refinery operations parallels the recent creation of a separate petrochemical department within the company.

Ethane and propane feedstocks for the new complex will be obtained from natural gas brought from West Texas via an 850-mi. pipeline. They will be extracted at Gulf's Mont Belvieu gas processing plant, then piped to the Cedar Bayou installation.

Gulf has acquired 1,000 acres for the new complex, most of which has been earmarked for its own chemical expansion. A portion of the land, however, is being reserved for olefin customers that the firm hopes to attract to the area.

A high-melting alloy—containing 98% tungsten and 2% molybdenum—that can be rolled into thin sheets at only 1,800 F. has been developed by Oregon Metallurgical Corp. Ductility of the alloy is attributed to fine tungsten grain structure, obtained in a special centrifugal casting furnace.

Fluorocarbon solvents bid for role in do-it-yourself drycleaning

Look for strenuous efforts by manufacturers of fluorinated solvents to crack the budding market for drycleaning agents being opened up by the advent of coin-operated drycleaning machines. Perchlorethylene, the common drycleaning solvent, appears to have the inside track, but fluorocarbon makers are banking on better performance to win acceptance for their more-expensive products.

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Most of the big names in household appliances are now introducing, or seriously considering manufacture of, coin-operated drycleaning machines. Frigidaire Div. of General Motors Corp., for example, recently disclosed it has a machine, using perchlorethylene, that has a cleaning cycle of only 20 min. Most other chlorinated-solvent processes need about 50 min. for a complete cycle.

Fluorocarbon makers Du Pont and Allied Chemical claim 20-min. cleaning cycles for solvents such as trichloro-trifluoro-ethane. But Frigidaire's use of increased centrifugal speed to get improved performance out of the cheaper perchlor may have temporarily taken some of the steam out of the fluorocarbon campaign.

Just how short Frigidaire's cycle might be if a fluorocarbon were used is academic at this time because the greater volatility (which makes the drying time so much faster) also makes it impossible to recover this material in a system designed to handle perchlor.

One promising avenue still being explored is blending of fluorocarbons with hydrocarbon solvents to get an agent with quick-cleaning properties that can be used in standard recovery sys-

In countermoves completely across the country, New York-based Allied Chemical Corp. and California-based Oronite Div. of California Chemcal Co. wll build phthalic anhydride facilities on opposite coasts: Allied at El Segundo, Calif. and Oronite at Perth Amboy, N. J.

Tire-cord potential whips up interest in higher polyolefins

Goodyear Tire & Rubber's disclosure to *CE* that it is now road-testing tires with polyolefin cords adds an additional note of urgency to the intensifying search for improved olefin polymers.

The tire-cord market represents a potential 400-million-lb./yr. target, so every company with any interest in olefin polymers is actively working on tire-cord candidates. But because the market is so alluring, little is being said about investigations now under way.

Goodyear, which is producing certain polyolefin fibers on a pilot-plant scale, won't say which ones it is working on. B. F. Goodrich will say only that it has obtained polyolefin cords from an unnamed supplier and has built "some" experimental tires.

Polyolefins' advantage in tire cords would be a price lower than for nylon or rayon currently being used. But many problems remain before an acceptable polyolefin can be found, including lower temperature resistance, difficulty in binding into tires, and flat spotting.

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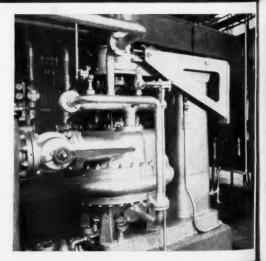
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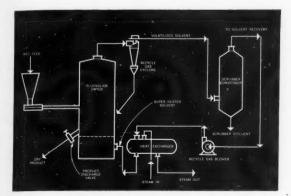
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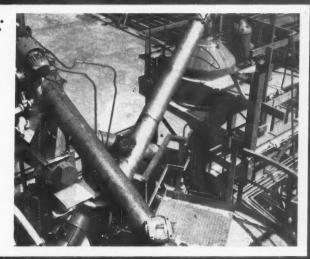
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Polypropylene is being tried experimentally, but its strength diminishes at temperatures generated by high driving speeds. Goodrich reports, however, that it has improved the strength of polypropylene cords 400% by using special primer coatings.

Among the higher polyolefins, interest centers on polymers of 4-methyl-1-pentene and 3-methyl-1-butene. In a paper given recently at the Congress of Pure & Applied Chemistry, held in Montreal, B. D. Ranby of the Empire State Paper Research Institute, Syracuse, N. Y., discussed the 1-pentene polymer, which is easy to prepare using Ziegler type catalysts. The material has a high melting point (490 F.), is clear, light and flexible. Price of the 1-pentene monomer is around $15\text{-}20\phi/\text{lb}$, but would undoubtedly be lower if there were larger markets.

The polymer of 3-methyl-1-butene loses tensile strength slower with rising temperature than the 1-pentene polymer, but is much harder to polymerize.

Another possibility, being pushed by Houdry Process Corp., is the polymer of 3,3-dimethyl-1-butene. This material has a melting point around 700 F.—highest of any known polyolefin. Houdry, which makes the monomer via its own dehydrogenation process, is distributing samples of the olefin for development.

Aerojet-General Corp. will be the prime contractor for the first phase of the NERVA nuclear rocket engine program. Initial six-month, \$6.3-million contract will cover the preliminary design steps. Westinghouse will have responsibility for nuclear portion of the work under a subcontract.

Wave of developments aims at salvaging water that's now wasted

To increase this country's water supply, look to water that's already fresh. That seemingly obvious principle is the common thread that ties together three developments now being rushed in an effort to build up our diminishing reserve of fresh water.

This approach is quite different from the vigorous program being carried on to wring fresh water from the sea. Some observers believe that these latest developments point up a case

long argued by advocates of water re-use: if a fraction of the money that is now being spent on desalination projects were spent on less-glamorous water reclamation programs, vast additional amounts of fresh water would be made available at a fraction of the \$1/1,000 gal. that desalted water now costs. The developments:

1. Save irrigation water—California Research Corp., a subsidiary of Standard Oil of Calif., has just introduced a sealant aimed at saving the estimated 1 trillion gal. of irrigation water that is lost each year by seepage through the soil.

The material is identified only as an emulsified petroleum compound with special additives. It is claimed to reduce water seepage through earthen canals 65-95% by forming an impermeable membrane at a predetermined depth in the soil. It is applied to ponds or ditches when they are filled with water (either still or flowing), at a cost of only a fraction of the \$1-3/sq. yd. for a lining of concrete or asphalt.

Because the membrane is formed deep in the soil, it is immune to damage from equipment, or animals that might venture into a canal. The sealant is said to have no effect on humans, animals or crops, is estimated to be effective for five years, at which time it can be renewed.

2. Re-use sewage water—Water-lean Los Angeles is trying out a secondary sewage treatment process that may eventually allow it to re-use much of its 280 million gal./day of waste water.

Treatment uses algae to cut by 100-150 ppm. the concentration of inorganic ions remaining after conventional sewage processing. According to U.C.L.A. professor Albert Bush, who developed the process, the reduction compensates for the ion buildup resulting from evaporation during normal use, and thus would permit recycling.

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Process is being tested in a 100-gal./day pilot plant, downstream from conventional sedimentation and oxidation steps at Los Angeles' Hyperion sewage plant. Bush believes process will increase operating costs only 10-15% at plants that already provide full conventional treatment.

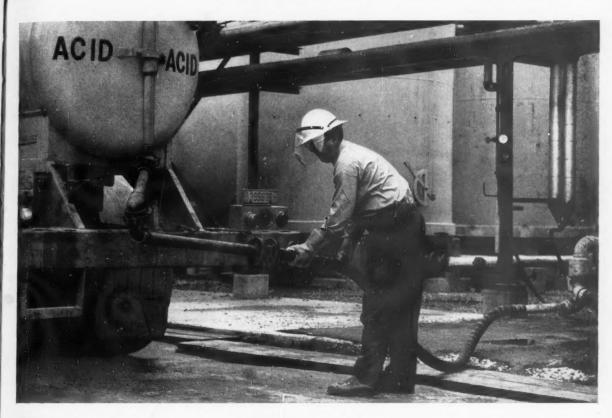
In the pilot unit, algae are grown in a U-shaped pond 200 ft. long and 20 ft. wide. Key to successful growth: supplying pond with carbon dioxide, produced by burning methane coming from primary treatment steps. Among ions removed are calcium, magnesium, bicarbonate, nitrate, sulfate and phosphate.

It doesn't appear, however, that the algae can solve one of the biggest water-treating problems—elimination of synthetic detergents from sewage water.

3. Remove detergents via electrodialysis—Another secondary sewage treating process, this one

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aimed at synthetic detergents, centers on electrodialysis.

Ionics, Inc., Cambridge, Mass., has just received a contract from the Public Health Service to adapt the ion-exchange membrane process, which the firm developed for water desalting, to secondary treatment. Specific target is removal of detergents and other wastes that pass through conventional biological oxidation processes.

Involved in the \$43,000 program will be a pilot-plant study to prepare cost estimates for 10-million- and 100-million-gal./day treating plants.

Upping the ante in the tire-cord battle, American Viscose Corp. has announced a Tyrex rayon cord that is 15% stronger than current rayon cords. New yarn has a tensile strength of 40 lb. in the 1650-grade used for the new two-ply tires.

Speedy machines resurrect data—old and recent—buried in files

Experts on information retrieval, turning to high-speed electronic equipment to aid literature searching, have made giant strides in increasing the capability of retrieval systems. Two of the latest:

• International Business Machines has an elaborate new system consisting of an input converter, index, and image file. Document images, keyed to an index record, are stored in a file module that holds 990,000 images on 10,000 film strips. A search unit finds records in the index that match desired key words; those selected for examination in full have their image automatically transferred to a card that can be studied with a viewer or reproduced full size.

Since the maze of equipment needed for the system must necessarily be centrally located, its one possible drawback may be time lag from the moment the machine finds the index records until they can be reviewed and returned for document copies to be made.

• A machine developed by the National Bureau of Standards permits the searcher to be in full control of the search program. A film matrix containing 18,000 abstracts and serial numbers is mounted on a drum. The searcher views against a

strong light a series of punched cards containing the relevant key words. An illuminated hole represents an abstract of the subject matter desired.

The searcher can then set the controls so that the appropriate abstract is projected on a viewing screen. He may then have a copy made of any specific abstract; or note the serial number for later retrieval of the original document from a storage machine.

Because the results are available immediately, the searcher can act more effectively. He can detect and adjust for contingencies such as misinterpretation of index terms, interference from unforeseen information, volume of information and modification of needs by facts gained.

Public Health Service to seek funds for pollution crackdown

The new pollution control law recently signed by President Kennedy is probably the precursor to increased action against both industrial and municipal violators of pollution laws. The Public Health Service, which administers the law, is readying a request for additional Congressional appropriations to beef up its policing operation.

Key provision of the new law as far as industry is concerned is the extension of federal authority in pollution control to "all navigable waterways." In the past, courts have ruled that this includes almost any body of water on which a canoe or log can be floated.

Previously, PHS antipollution action was limited to 4,000 interstate rivers and lakes. Under the new law, the PHS can—at the request of a state governor—take enforcement action against communities on another 22,000 intrastate rivers, lakes and coastal waters. In addition, any city or town on an *interstate* waterway can now request federal aid. Formerly, only a state governor or state pollution board could make such a request.

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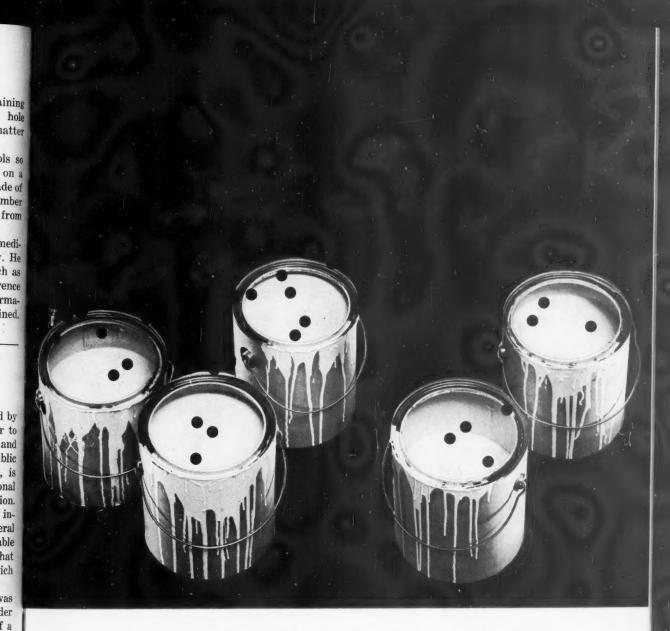
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If Congress grants PHS additional funds, the agency will establish regional offices from which surveys of intrastate waterways will be made to determine pollution levels. PHS will then recommend ways to clear up any pollution found. If voluntary action fails, the Secretary of Health, Education and Welfare now has the authority to issue a cease-and-desist order.

After six months, the secretary may then take the case to court to enforce compliance.

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CPI PUTS CONTROL HARDWARE ON WHEELS IN NEW MOBILE APPROACH TO PROCESS REFINEMENT

Portable trailers are bringing a new look to process analysis and control. Here's a roundup of who's doing what with this concept.

Living in a nation-on-wheels, Americans solve many problems through the mobility that wheels can give.

For proof that this is as true in the CPI as anywhere else, take a look at the niche that mobile trailers are carving for themselves in process analysis and control applications.

Easy-to-move vehicles carry control hardware out into the plant—right to the processing units—and house the tools during their use. Specific van-housed operations range from simple analyzer test-

ing to data reduction by compact digital computers. Phillips Petroleum Co. even took a notable, if temporary, step further by using a van briefly for on-line computer control of an ethylene plant.

Mobility is not the only feature of these vehicles. Industry experts cite other advantages, saying that mobile vans:

- Permit instrumentation bugs to be worked out in seclusion.
- Provide a handy field office for the technical people involved.
- Obviate overcrowding of control houses.
- Provide a convenient place to train operators in analyzer use.

Petroleum firms have led the way so far: Standard Oil Co. of Ohio, Standard Oil Co. (N. J.) and Shell Chemical Co., as well as Phillips, have all disclosed activity in this area. And many of the big chemical firms aren't far behind. Monsanto Chemical Co. already has a mobile van at its Texas City, Tex., plant, and both Allied Chemical Corp. and Du Pont have potential projects in the idea stage.

▶ New Avenue—A big boost for the mobile-van trend has just come from Dresser Industries, Inc.'s, Southwestern Electronics Div. Latter, which built Monsanto's trailer before becoming a Dresser division and also has constructed a van for Shell, now offers data-recording trailers on a lease basis. Result: firms can garner benefits of mobile data-handling equipment without investing capital.

Dresser says minimum lease periods will generally be less than a year. The firm will determine lease costs by prorating unit selling prices—about \$50,000-\$125,- 000-over a normal payout period.

Typifying one of the ways in which existing vans have already been used, Dresser's vehicles will receive raw plant data, tag them with identification and calibration information, and yield an output that can be processed at a specific, central computing facility.

Here's a quick look at activity that has already taken place with mobile units in the CPI.

► Emphasis on Analyzers—Standard Oil of Ohio operates two trailers; their use centers about new stream-analyzers, rather than data processing per se.

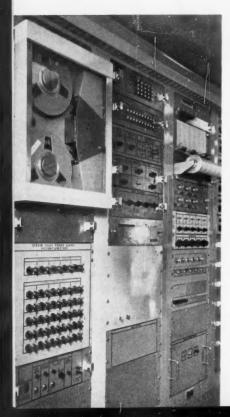
Sohio's mobile program has undergone considerable evolution. Originally, the main aim was analyzer evaluation—determining accuracy, range, reliability and similar factors under real operating conditions.

But the company began spending more and more time in finding how the instruments, once tested, could best be put to use. And today, Sohio makes much use of trailermounted analyzers for process evaluation.

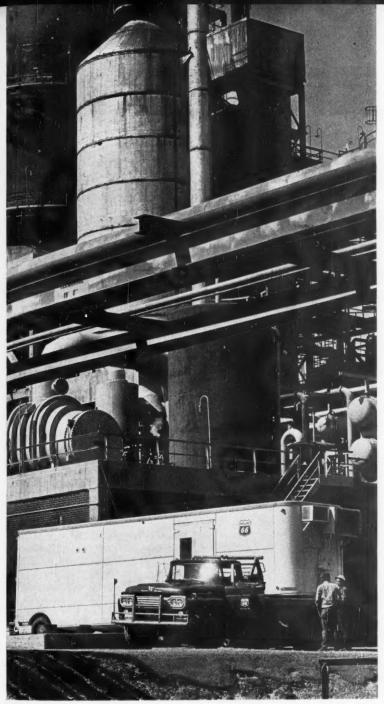
For instance, the firm recently lowered viscosity deviations in streams from a vacuum distillation unit by studying the operation with a trailer that had been fitted out with a bank of viscometers. In an earlier application, a trailer laid the groundwork for chromatographic control of light-ends fractionators.

Another company whose mobile program emphasizes analyzers is Standard Oil Co. (N. J.). Subsidiary Esso Research & Engineering Co. developed a portable "room" (it has no wheels, is moved from location to location by a crane) to house analyzers during applications evaluation

The unit was not built for testing the instruments themselves; Esso's aims were to learn where analyz-



Interior of Dresser Industries van typifies high degree of instrumentation these vehicles can offer.



Phillips Petroleum's trailer, on location near cat cracker at Borger, Tex., first proved its worth at firm's Sweeny, Tex., ethylene plant.

ers should be permanently installed, then—most important—document the necessary supporting economics and, finally, provide a site for training operators in analyzer use. Like Sohio, Esso has since put its room to work on process analysis and systems testing.

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▶Or, Emphasis on Data—In mov-

ing towards more and more process evaluation, Esso's and Sohio's programs are approaching those of Shell Chemical, Monsanto and Phillips. Here the emphasis is on gathering raw process data and reducing them to more meaningful form, with analyzers performing essential but not central roles.

Shell, for instance, has just received a complete mobile system from Dresser, for data gathering and interpreting. Unit includes analog and digital input equipment, a Packard-Bell Computer Corp. PB 250 digital computer, and magnetic-tape or typewriter output equipment.

This van can receive up to 60 measurement inputs—either electric or pneumatic—and will provide on-the-spot data reduction. Without disclosing details, Shell reports it will operate the unit at its Deer Park, Tex., plant.

Monsanto's van is a data logger; it is used at the company's Texas City, Tex., plant for broad, general investigations aimed at bettering process control. Like the Shell unit, it can handle up to 60 inputs. The van converts these to digital signals and records the latter on tape, which Monsanto then processes either at its own large digital computer in St. Louis or, on a contract basis, at a closer facility.

Phillips calls its trailer a mobile process-plant testing laboratory. It collects and reduces data, also develops and evaluates means for process improvement. The vehicle houses: (1) stream analyzers, (2) on-stream data logging and reduction equipment built around a North American Aviation, Inc., Recomp II digital computer, and (3) facilities to experimentally evaluate improved control techniques and systems.

Company first used the van at its Sweeny, Tex., ethylene plant. The mobile unit studied thermal-cracking furnaces, investigating such variables as carbon buildup in furnace tubes, tube skin temperatures and effluent-stream composition.

Improved plant-operating procedures suggested by this study have yielded a permanent 10% increase in ethylene output—thus paying out the experimental effort in three months. The program indicated that another 6% could be realized if the computer remained permanently on-line. Latter was not economical, however, and Phillips has since turned the attention of its van towards bettering of other process operations.—NPC

SYNTHETIC GUMS PUSH FOR TWO BIG MARKETS

In the next decade, watersoluble synthetic resins hope (1) to enlarge the nick they're taking out of big markets for starch and natural gums and (2) to build markets for themselves in new water-soluble films.

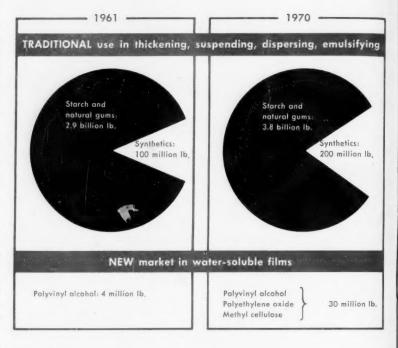
Synthetics have stepped up their bid for a bigger share of the 3-billion-lb./yr. water-soluble resin market—a market long dominated by natural products. Since the beginning of the year:

•Hydroxyethyl cellulose, one of the newer synthetic water-soluble resins, got a boost from each of its two producers: Hercules announced plans to add a multimillion-lb. plant at Hopewell, Va., to its existing 1-million-lb./yr. output. And Union Carbide Chemicals, whose capacity is 6 million lb./yr., cut 10¢/ lb. off the price of most grades, bringing them to the 74¢/lb. level.

• Dow Chemical, only U.S. producer of methyl cellulose products, announced that its estimated 12 million lb. of capacity will be doubled when a new Plaquemine, La., plant starts up next month. Prices of some premium and standard grades, which ranged from 69 to 82¢/lb., will be as much as 13¢/lb. lower, and prepayment of freight will further reduce delivered cost.

• A copolymer of methyl vinyl ether and maleic anhydride, PVM/MA, joined the list of synthetic water-soluble resins when General Aniline & Film expanded its semicommercial plant at Linden, N. J., and dropped price from \$3 to \$1.25.

Other major water solubles are carboxymethyl cellulose, polyvinyl alcohol, polyacrylic acids, polyvinyl-pyrrolidone, polyethylene oxide. But natural products, particularly starch, command most of the water-soluble business, even though synthetics should hit 100 million lb./yr. Synthetics have been able to



peck away at starch's position chiefly because their price and properties are easier to control. Increased capacities and lower prices announced this year are part of a growing effort to bring synthetic sales up to 200 million lb./yr. by 1970.

► Traditional Markets—Traditionally, the paper industry is the biggest market for water solubles; sizing, coating and other paper treatment accounts for about half of total sales. Next biggest are the food and textile industries. Water solubles are also used in detergents, adhesives, cosmetics and paints as emulsifiers, thickeners, suspending and surface-active agents. The big textile and paper markets are expected to provide a lot more growth for synthetics. In foods, however, they may not offer enough advantages to offset the relatively low price of natural products.

Natural products sell as low as 8¢/lb. while some synthetics sell

for as much as \$3/lb. But on a cost-performance basis, the synthetics have definite advantages for some applications. Textile sizing, for example, takes four times as much material if natural rather than synthetic resins are used. In addition, synthetics can help textile makers solve water pollution problems. Their BOD (biochemical oxygen demand), unlike natural resins', is acceptably low.

New Territory—But a completely new domain—water-soluble film—is giving synthetics manufacturers something to conjure with. A film bag, containing a measured volume of ingredients, that will dissolve when thrown into cold water, has obvious advantages for the consumer of detergents, bleaches, dyes, insecticides and hard-to-handle chemicals. Estimates of the potential market for this type of soluble film range from 20 to 60 million lb./yr.

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Detergents	20	Textile	50	
Paper	18	Paper	40	
Food	12	Film	30	
Textile	10	Adhesives	20	

	(Million pounds)	
Polyvinyl alcohol	Air Reduction Chemical, Du Pont, Shawinigan Resins, Borden Chemi- cal, American Aniline	66
Carboxymethyl cellulose	Hercules, Du Pont, Buckeye, Wyan- dotte, Dohnstamm, Brown	46
Methyl cellulose	Dow	24*
Hydroxyethyl cellulose	Union Carbide, Hercules	7
Polyvinylpyrrolidone	General Aniline & Film	1

market consumes about 4 million lb./yr. of polyvinyl alcohol. And PVA for film is about to run into some competition from polyethylene oxide. Union Carbide, which introduced the resin a couple of years ago, recently developed techniques to make film from it. And now, Carbide's Visking division has started producing film under the trade name Hylox. Dow's methyl cellulose is another resin in the running.

► Carboxymethyl Cellulose — CMC is the most used of the synthetics with demand currently running at about 40 million lb./yr. Almost half of the market is in detergents, which market CMC—preventing redeposition of dirt on laundry—has all to itself. Drilling muds, textile, paper and food use follow in that order. Of these, drilling muds, textiles and paper are the strongest growth areas.

▶ Polyvinyl Alcohol—Last year, PVA capacity more than doubled. Though demand was under 30 million lb., capacity went up to 66 million lb. Air Reduction Chemical, Shawinigan Resins and Borden Chemical all added capacity. Du Pont and American Aniline remained at 25 million and 1 million lb., respectively.

Producers expect most of their growth in adhesives (where PVA is already the major water-soluble synthetic), paper coatings and film.

PVA's properties vary with the degree of hydrolysis; partially hydrolyzed PVA has good water resistance and can be made insoluble if treated with an aldehyde. In addition, it has good adhesive strength and is used in both water-resistant and remoistenable adhesives.

PVA film is strong, clear, solvent resistant, impermeable to most gases and readily water soluble. One drawback has been its poor flexibility. The earlier soluble PVA films contained glycerin as a plasticizer in order to obtain flexibility, but it migrated when the film was stored thus leaving a brittle film. Borden has attacked the problem with its Lemoflex resin, a modified PVA. The modifier is ethylene ox-

ide, which acts as an internal plasticizer.

► Cellulosics—Excluding CMC, demand for the cellulosics is running at something over 25 million lb./yr. Methyl cellulose and hydroxyethyl cellulose account for major shares.

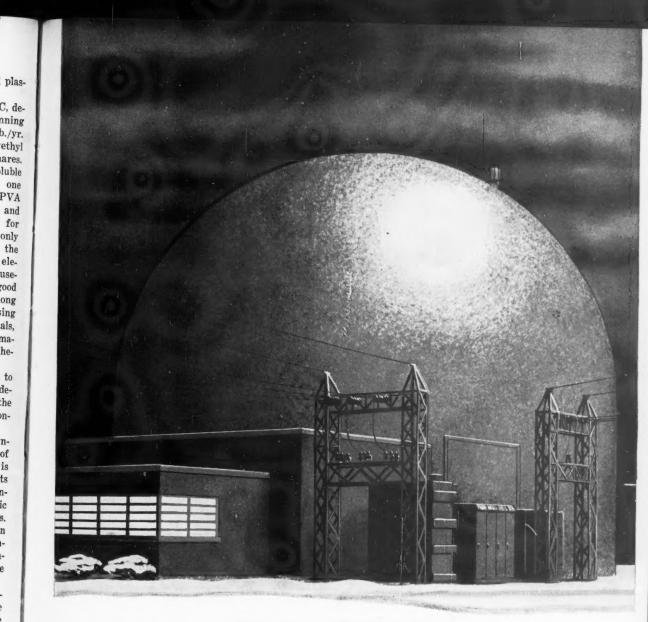
In the running for water-soluble film use, methyl cellulose has one immediate advantage over PVA and polyethylene oxide-Food and Drug Administration approval for food packaging. Also, it is the only water-soluble gum that has the property of thermogelation at elevated temperatures, making it useful for food processing where good heat stability is required. Among the industries currently using methyl cellulose are chemicals, paint, cosmetics, paper, pharmaceuticals, ceramics, and the adhesives industry.

Hydroxyethyl cellulose looks to many of the same markets, is described by its producers as the most efficient thickener among nonionic cellulosics.

As for the other important synthetics: polyvinylpyrrolidone, of which General Aniline & Film is the only U.S. producer, finds its primary outlet—60% of a 1-million-lb./yr. production—in the cosmetic industry, mostly for hair sprays. A big future may be awaiting it in the beer industry; it is less expensive and can do the job that enzymes now do in preventing haze due to chilling.

PVP appears to precipitate selectively those tannins which cause chill haze in beer and to improve the taste and taste stability. GAF hopes to offer a great variety of tailor-made products to satisfy a wide range of beers. However, in the future there may be yet another group of competitors.

Polyacrylic acid types of synthetic water-soluble resins are now used mainly for sizing nylon and polyester fibers. General Aniline & Film's new PVM/MA is looking for markets in photographic reproduction processes, cosmetics, and suspension and latex polymerizations. Carboxypolymethylene, introduced a few years ago by B. F. Goodrich, looks primarily to cosmetics and textile printing markets.—FA









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PLASTIC GRIDS HELP SOLVE WASTE-DISPOSAL PROBLEMS

Honeycomb-like units of polyvinyl chloride replace rock in trickling filter at paper mill. Result: effluent purified 7-10 times faster.

Big things are happening to that old standby of waste-disposal systems, the trickling filter. Both chemical and food plants faced with stream pollution problems should applaud the changes.

The Mead Corp. has increased capacity of such a filter from 700-1,000%, reduced installation costs, and permitted operation at higher temperatures, thus eliminating need for cooling of plant effluents.

Key to the new system is a polyvinyl chloride grid that resembles a huge honeycomb. Fabricated in 2 x 2 x 4-ft. units, these grids replace slag and rock used in conventional trickling filters.

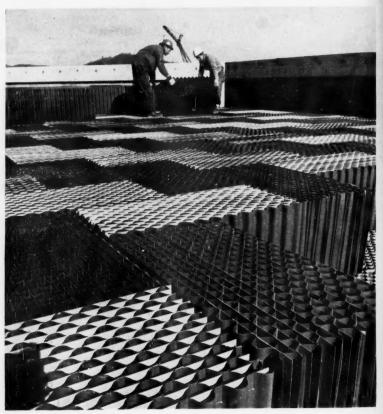
The new packing has greater surface area-to-volume ratios, permits better flow, decreases the possibility of plugging, and provides a better means of liquid distribution than a rock filter.

Each cubic foot of the filtercomb contains 40 sq. ft. of surface to facilitate more rapid bio-oxidation of waste-laden water than is possible with rock fill.

Developed by The Mead Corp. Research Center, Chillicothe, Ohio, the grids were recently installed in a new trickling filter at the mill of Rome Kraft Co., Rome, Ga. (Chem. Eng. June 26, p. 58).

The filter is octagonal in shape, 80 ft. across and 30 ft. high. It contains 6,250 of the 2 x 2 x 4-ft. grids. Successfully treating 16 million gal./day of kraft mill waste, the unit reduces the biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) enough to permit discharge into a stream following clarification by settling.

▶ Pilot Operation—Design of the filter and its packing was based on more than two years of study in a pilot plant comprising two 3-ft.



Workmen lay final course to complete installation of 185 tons of polyvinyl chloride packing in trickling filter at Rome Kraft Co.

square x 30-ft.-high towers arranged to permit either parallel or series operation. Towers were constructed so that plastic grids could be inserted or removed easily.

Initially, two commercial packings were studied. One of them is $37\frac{1}{2} \times 37\frac{1}{2} \times 21$ in. high, fabricated from individual sheets of polystyrene or Saran, with clear spacing between each sheet of approximately 1 in. Basic theory for its shape is that maximum BOD removal occurs when the waste is uniformly distributed over a large surface area with maximum transfer of oxygen.

The other contains a series of horizontal sheets (polyethylene or

polystyrene) $36 \times 36 \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ in. deep, supported on five legs. Unlike the first, which creates laminar flow, this material introduces an area of turbulent flow between sheets.

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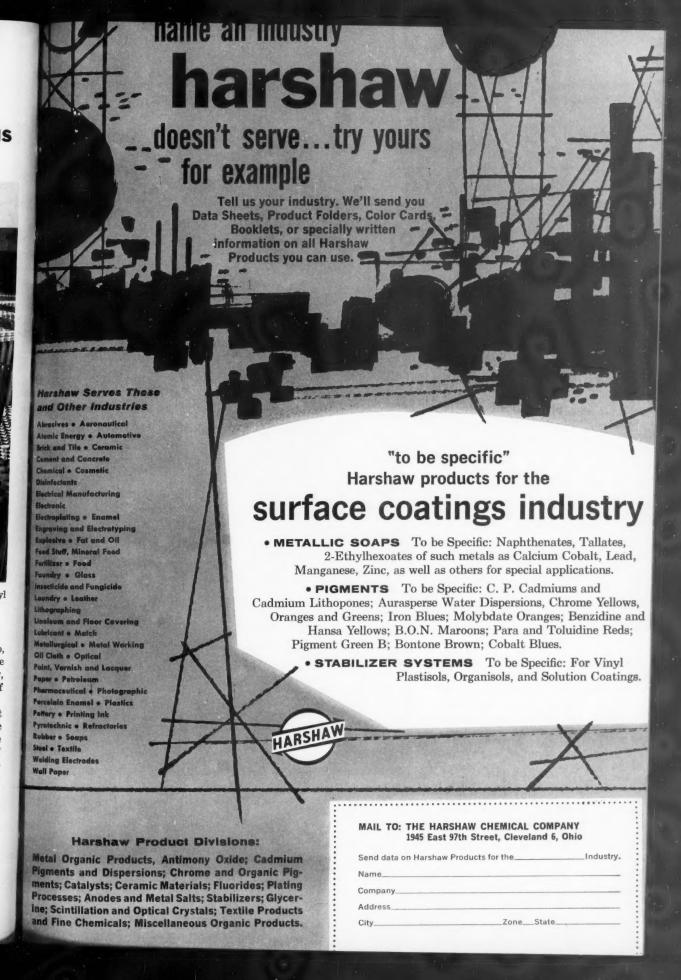
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Waste used in the pilot plant consisted of hot-well condensate plus miscellaneous waters from the pulping and washing operation of an integrated kraft mill. Biochemical oxygen demand of the waste was 250-300 ppm.

In the studies, it was shown that plastic filter media have a two fold advantage over conventional rock fill—less resistance to air flow and increased surface area.

As a result of the large voids in the plastic grids, air flow through



the tower was relatively unimpaired so that in natural-draft plastic filters, less temperature differential is required for a particular rate of air flow.

The large surface areas permit extensive growths of organisms to exist in relatively thin sheets. This results in loadings and solids removals greatly in excess of those commonly associated with standard or high rate trickling filter installations.

Temperature of waste was also shown to play an important role in efficiency of the pilot filters. A rise from 105 F. (temperature of early studies) to 125 F. increased efficiency of the primary tower by about 30%, with a biological load 135% greater.

► Materials Important—During the pilot studies, it became apparent that certain factors in addition to process efficiencies should be considered in evaluating plastic filter media for pulping waste.

• Not all plastic materials are equally resistant to chemicals polystyrene and polypropylene are attacked by turpentine, an ingredient in most kraft mill waste waters.

 Plastics such as Saran and PVC presented difficulties when injection molded, so could not be economically fabricated into one of the forms tested.

• Certain plastics have inadequate structural strength. Some of the units tested lacked structural bonding between sheets and within the sheets themselves.

Based on the data obtained in the pilot plant, Mead Corp. Research Center developed and has applied for a patent on the PVC grids employed in the new trickling filter at Rome Kraft. These were fabricated by the Plastics Division of B. F. Goodrich Co., and will probably be marketed by Goodrich to other eventual users.

Advantages claimed for the new system are many: most important are its lightness, porosity and increased surface area. Due to its increased capacity, the unit is considerably smaller than conventional trickling filters—Rome Kraft saved more than \$500,000 on installation costs.—AVG

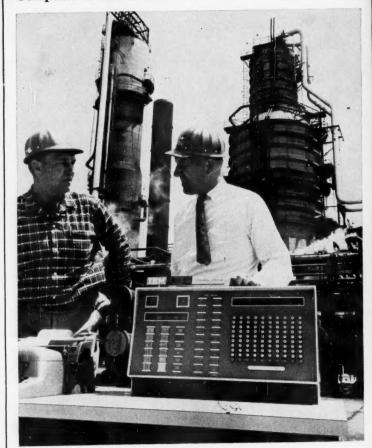
Spending Hits New Highs For Drug Research

Research expenditures for drugs for human use will rise to about \$227 million this year, according to the annual survey on research and development just made public by the Pharmaceutical Manufacturers Assn. A record \$206.5 million investment was made last year; the 1959 figure was \$197 million.

An additional \$5.4 million was was spent in 1960 for research and development of veterinary drug products, and this figure is expected to rise higher during 1961 to \$5.8 million.

More than 10% of last year's funds went into research outside company laboratories. The industry spends about \$21 million to support studies in medical schools, hospitals and other research institutions.

Computer assumes direct control of distillation unit



By installing an IBM closed-loop process control system to regulate its 140,000-bbl./day crude oil distillation unit at Whiting, Ind., Standard Oil Co. (Ind.) is taking another step toward a completely automated oil refinery. A replacement for an open-loop system used on the same unit (Chem. Eng., Oct. 31, 1960, p. 48), this new system is built around an IBM 1620 digital computer coupled with random-access memory storage, and an input-output device to link computer to the controllers.

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PAPERS SET FOR "NEW CHEMISTRY" CONFERENCE

Upcoming Chicago meeting will tie together the many loose ends stemming from recent discoveries in chemistry.

Pictured below are the authors who will be appearing on the program of the conference on "New Trends in Chemistry," to be held in Chicago on Oct. 11-12. As the brief abstracts of the papers indicate, the objective of the meeting will be to present to practicing engineers the latest developments that

have been taking place in chemical laboratories throughout the world.

By such an exchange of ideas between scientists and engineers, the meeting will help cut the usual time-lag between scientific discovery and commercial utilization.

Arranged by Armour Research Foundation and Chemical Engineering, the conference is the second in a series of annual meetings designed by the editors of CE to familiarize the chemical processing industry with the latest profit-making techniques. Last year's meeting, cosponsored by Midwest Research Institute, examined the "New Chemical Engineering."

A highlight of this year's Chicago meeting will be a banquet address by General John B. Medaris. president of The Lionel Corp. He will examine, from his vantage point as former chief of the Army's missile research, the most profitable way for smaller companies to invest their limited research funds. General Medaris will also discuss ways that companies can participate in government-sponsored research programs.

(Turn page for more on conference)



G. Baeth-Wehrenalp: Inorganic Polymers— —Inorganic macromolecular systems, such as plastic sulfur, glassy selenium, and phosphonitrilic chloride rubber, will be reviewed—along with use of molecular engineering to develop a theoretical basis for new inorganic polymers. Work of American and Russian investigators will be discussed.

cussed. Barth-Wehrenalp is presently of inorganic research for Penn rector of inorganic Chemicals Corp.



J. J. Katz and I. Sheft: Nonaqueous Chemistry—Increasing application of nonaqueous solvent systems to chemical processes is made possible by advances in the understanding of these systems. Greater availability of resistant materials of construction and new methods of handling, have accelerated the use of these systems. Problems and needs of the atomic energy program in particular have supplied great impetus to work in this field. A few of the nonaqueous systems that are important to chemical research and industrial processing will be discussed.

Dr. Joseph J. Katz (top photo) is presently a senior scientist at the Argonne National Laboratory. He is the recipient of the American Chemical Society award for nuclear applications in chemistry for 1961. Irving Sheft (second photo) is a research chemist at the Argonne National Laboratory.



P. Y. Feng: Radiation Chemistry—Because of the unique nature of its reaction mechanism, radiation processing can sometimes initiate reactions not otherwise feasible. There are limitations, however, on the usefulness of this relatively new technique. The paper will examine these aspects, along with an introduction to the principles of radiation chemistry.

Dr. Feng is supervisor of chemical physics research at Armour Research Foundation.



M. KILPATRICK: The Expanding Field of Chemical Kinetics—Development of the activated complex theory in terms of potential-energy surface barriers has created a useful theory of rate processes and a broad understanding of the general field. Topics to be discussed include fast reactions, oxidation of hydrogen and hydrocarbons, polymerization, nitration and sulfonation, and metal-water reactions.

Kilpatrick is now conducting research as senior chemist emeritus at the Argonne National Laboratory.



H. P. Gregor: Ion Exchange Resins and Membranes—This paper will discuss new ion exchange membranes and resins developed in the last few years. Newest uses for these materials will be emphasized, e.g., separation of amino acids, concentration of salt from sea water, production of potable water from brackish waters, and recovery of sulfuric acid from waste streams.

Professor Gregor teaches physical chemistry at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn.



J. L. MARGRAVE: Plasma and High-Temperature Chemistry—Since the number of chemically plausible combinations of atoms at high temperatures (up to 100 million K.) is astronomically large, this paper will discuss preparation and identification of high-temperature species using plasma arcs, induction heaters, solar furnaces, shock tubes, flash heating devices and unusual flames.

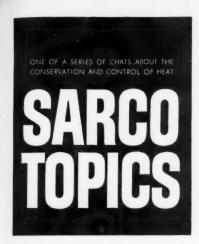
Professor Margrave is engaged in teaching and research at the University of Wisconsin.



VLADIMIR HAENSEL: Catalysis—This paper will examine two aspects of catalysis: first, highly selective reactions that have become commercial successes through use of dual-function catalysts; second, the use of new tools such as infrared spectroscopy to gain knowledge of the intermediates in catalytic reactions. In processing hydrocarbons, dual-function catalysts make possible a substantial increase in reaction rates.

Dr. Haensel is director of process research for Universal Oil Products Co.





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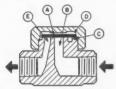
MR. BERNOULLI HELPS BUILD A BETTER STEAM TRAP

We may be a trifle tardy in bringing it up, but Daniel Bernoulli, who dreamed up the "Bernoulli Effect" about 250 years ago, deserves some sort of accolade from us here at Sarco. A plaque perhaps, or his name in the foyer floor tile. Daniel was a famous Swiss mathematical genius and he was probably a little hesitant about even mentioning his slightly offbeat discovery, the "Effect," in Hydrodynamica (1738).



If you happen to have a spool handy, you can perform the simple "effect right at your desk. Lay a cardboard disc with a pin through it on the table. Place the spool over the pin and blow—hard—and lift. The disc won't fall until you stop blowing because the air under pressure expands between the end of the spool and the disc. The pressure in this space is actually less than atmospheric, and the sum of the downward forces is less than the upward force of atmospheric pressure acting upon the disc's bottom side. Well, of course it sounds rather remote, but what seemed like a simple parlor trick to Bernoulli has made it possible for us at Sarco to solve steam trapping problems by the dozens. In our Sarco Thermo-Dynamic Steam Trap Type TD-50, the cardboard disc is replaced by a stainless steel disc A the spool tube by inlet tube B. The disc also acts as a valve and can seat on B, and also on outer seat ring C. When seated, the disc seals the inlet and the chamber D from the outlet E. Full attention now, because it could easily be your steam, condensate,

or air we're following here as it enters the trap, its pressure raising the disc and allowing fluid to flow radially across the underside of the disc. The velocity of air or condensate is comparatively low, exerting little influence on the disc, which remains



clear of the seat, allowing free discharge. Ah, but now steam enters the trap. Velocity increases greatly because of the steam's greater internal energy. Presto! The disc is pulled toward the seat just as was the cardboard. At the same time, the radial steam jet raises the pressure in D by recompression, snapping the disc down on the seat.

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H. F. MARK AND S. M. ATLAS: High Polymers—One of the prime objects of current polymer research is the synthesis of materials that can sustain at least 900 F. for long periods. The paper will examine the latest techniques for incorporating elements such as Be, Mg, Al, Si, P. Sn or Ti, in organic polymers. Capacity to make stereoregulated polymers has been considerably improved, both in degree of stereoregulation and yields, by closely controlled conditions in preparing certain Ziegler-Natta catalysts. Special combinations of titanium subhalides and aluminum alkyls have produced polypropylene with up to 95% isotacticity. Some hydrocarbon monomers, such as vinyl halides, acrylates and methacrylates have been obtained in stereoregulated versions, and it is probable that catalysts will be found that will allow regulation of all such polymers.

polymers.
Dr. Mark (top photo), formerly director of the Polymer Research Institute, is now dean of the faculty of Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. Dr. Atlas (below) is head of the Chemistry Dept. at Bronx Community College.



H. A. POHL: Organic Semiconductors—Op-ganic semiconductors—for which there are many potential industrial uses—draw upon techniques of four scientific disciplines; physics, organic chemistry, polymer chemis-try and biology. This paper shows that study of these materials involves the funda-mental laws of quantum mechanics plus the insight of the organic chemist. Dr. Pohl heads a research group at Princeton's plastics laboratory.



F. V. Schossberger: Solid-State Chemistry—A brief discussion of solid-state theory of semiconductors is followed by examples of various crystallization phenomena and their relation to crystal defects. Examples include impurity defects in germanium luminescence phenomena, chalking of outdoor paints, action of pour-point depresants in oil, and preparation of large semiconductor crystals.

Dr. Schossberger is assistant director of chemical research at Armour Research Foundation.

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A. E. Martell: Metal Complexes in Aqueous Solution—Principles of complex formation will be used to show how the properties of metal lons may be modified via reaction with various types of complexing agents. New equilibrium data will be employed to predict quantitatively the use of complexes to modify tendencies of metal ions to precipitate, hydrolyze and undergo redox reactions.

Professor Martell is chairman of the chemistry department at Illinois Institute of Technology.



R. J. Tykodi: Chemical Thermodynamics—A new offshoot of thermodynamics, the science of the irreversible process, will be taken up in detail. Some simple techniques for handling nonequilibrium situations involving stationary states and steady-rate processes will be discussed and, by way of illustration, both the thermomolecular pressure effect and forced vaporization of liquids will be considered.

Dr. Tykodi is assistant professor of chemistry at Pennsylvania State University.

The Conference on New Trends In Chemistry

Watch for additional details about conference preregistration and hotel reservations in an upcoming issue of Chemical Engineering. Remember the date: Oct, 11-12. The place: the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel, Chicago, Ill.



R. H. Wentorf, Jr.: High-Pressure Chemistry—Although energies imparted by pressures of 100,000 atm. are small compared with chemical bonding energies, such pressures are sufficient to shift many equilibria or perturb outer electron structures of atoms. During the past few years, many techniques have been developed to study effects of pressure in this range and higher. Dr. Wentorf is a physical chemist in General Electric's Mechanical Investigations Section (which produced the first man-made diamonds).

Adapting Old Methods Can Cut Cost of New Plants

Cost-reduction tools, such as industrial engineering, are fully utilized by manufacturing industries, but are usually ignored in plant construction. According to Procter & Gamble's R. J. Short, however, these techniques can substantially reduce both construction time and capital investment for new plants. In a paper delivered before the Building Research Institute, Short noted that P&G has erected better and lower-cost plants by adapting manufacturing - type cost - control

methods to construction projects.

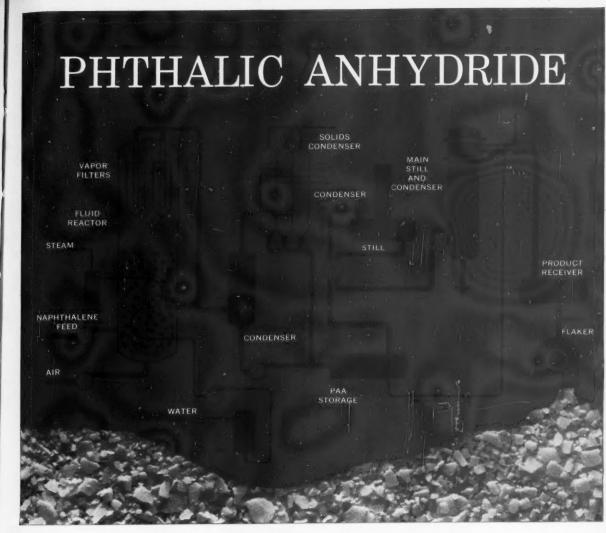
For every two supervisors, an operating plant will average one staff assistant whose sole function is cost reduction (usually using industrial engineering methods); and he pays off his cost four times over, claims Short.

The industrial engineer's costcutting tools are also available to plant builders, but they are seldom, if ever, used on a construction site, even though a comparison of the Engineering News-Record construction index with the cost indexes of other industries shows that construction costs have the greatest rate of increase. Also, a dollar saved in manufacturing costs nets

only 50¢ profit after taxes; but a dollar saved in construction is returned intact to the company treasury, since building is done with after-tax dollars.

One of the major areas for construction savings, Short believes, is the use of preassembled plant components. However, this concept can only be properly utilized as part of an aggressive over-all program of cost reduction.

In P&G's experience, use of preassembled components has contributed significantly to savings in plant investment costs, although these components did not contribute as much to savings in operation and maintenance as some had expected.



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National Petro Chemicals Corp. has been set up by National Distillers and Chemical Corp., New York, and Owens-Illinois Glass Co., Toledo, Ohio, to operate the firms' joint 60-million-lb./yr. linear polyethylene plant now under construction at Houston. A major market for linear polyethylene is blow-molded bottles for detergents and other household wares, a market that Owens-Illinois was instrumental in developing. Houston facility is due on stream late next year.

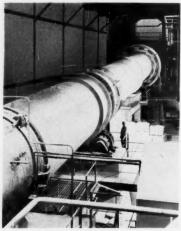
Consolidated Edison Co.'s \$22-million nuclear core for the power station now under construction at Indian Point, N. Y., has achieved its first sustained chain reaction. The criticality test was held in the laboratories of the core's fabricator, Babcock & Wilcox Co.'s Atomic Energy Div. Fuel is a mixture of thorium and uranium oxides, designed to deliver 275,000 kw. to the New York city area for two years without refueling.

Cary Chemicals, Inc., East Brunswick, N. J., plans a \$14-million corporate expansion. Items: (1) a 100-million-lb./yr. plant in New Jersey, to make polyvinyl chloride copolymers by the fall of 1962; (2) similar plant somewhere in the Midwest, but with only half the capacity. Cary now makes 50 million lb./yr. of vinyl polymers and copolymers at Flemington, N. J., and 36 million lb./yr. at East Brunswick, N. J. For details of the firm's complex "production and marketing association" with Tennessee Gas Transmission Co., see Chem. Eng., Mar. 6, p. 151.

Copolymer Rubber & Chemical Corp.'s \$5-million butadiene plant is on stream at Baton Rouge, La., the second facility in the nation to use Dow Chemical Corp.'s catalytic route to the SBR rubber ingredient. Copolymer's original butadiene installation was expanded and revamped to take the new Dow process, boosting the

local Baton Rouge firm's SBR capacity to 133,000 long tons/yr. (up from 95,000 long tons/yr.).

Great Lakes Steel, a division of National Steel Corp., plans to have its basic-oxygen steel facilities at Detroit under full computer control by early next year. TRW Computers Co., a division of Thompson Ramo Wooldridge Inc., will install the system.



The New Jersey Zinc Co. has completed a 100% expansion of its titanium dioxide plant in Gloucester City, N. J. Giant 175-ft.long rotary calciner (above) boosts output to 48,000 tons/yr.

National Bureau of Standards has broken ground for its \$104-million research laboratories at Gaithersburg, Md. Complete relocation of the Bureau will take place during 1963-65, as the 555acre site's 20 buildings are completed one by one.

DX Sunray Oil Co. has placed a \$1-million Hydeal unit on stream at its Tulsa, Okla., refinery. Design capacity is 1,000 bbl./day of benzene, but currently only 800 bbl. are being turned out. Charge stock is toluene, produced in an adjoining Udex unit constructed last year.

Coastal Chemical Co. plans a \$4.5-million expansion of its Pascagoula, Miss., facilities. Nitrogen capacity will be doubled, to 400

tons/day. Last year, Coastal's 10year-old parent firm, Mississippi Chemical Corp., returned patronage refunds of \$5 million to its 10,000 farmer-owners.

Du Pont plans to double the 30-million-lb./yr. capacity for polyethylene film at its Spruance complex in Richmond, Va. Construction begins immediately, with completion scheduled for about a year from now.

The Colorado Fuel and Iron Corp. has tapped the first heat of steel from its expanded basic-oxygen steel facilities in Pueblo, Colo. Representing a major portion of the firm's current \$21-million modernization program, the plant can now turn out 100 tons/hr. of molten metal. Linde Co. recently placed on stream at the site a 280-ton/day oxygen unit (Chem. Eng., July 10, p. 174).

Olin Mathieson Chemical Corp. plans a multimillion-dollar expansion of its Omal, Ohio, aluminum rolling mill. Due for completion by the end of 1962, new facilities will "greatly" increase Olin's capacity for bright aluminum sheet, due largely to the addition of a 66-in.-wide cold-rolling mill. Primary aluminum comes from Ormet Corp., a joint subsidiary of Olin with Revere Copper and Brass, Inc.

Stauffer Chemical Co. has begun constructing a multimillion-dollar captive chlorine plant at Dominquez, Calif. Total output will be pipelined to American Chemical Corp., a joint subsidiary of Stauffer with Richfield Oil Co., as a raw material for vinyl and ethylene chlorides. Unit is due on stream by the third quarter of next year.

Allied Chemical Corp.'s General Chemical Div. plans to build its first commercial Aclar and Capran film plant near Pottsville, Pa. Currently in pilot-plant produc-

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Marketed under the name of Tedlar, Du Pont's new polyvinyl fluoride film finds its best selling point is its weatherability.

It can either pass or reflect ultraviolet rays, depending on whether it is pigmented or not, without being destroyed itself. After seven years in the Florida sun, for example, Tedlar retained 50% of its tensile strength and 25% of its bursting strength. On the basis of such exposure tests, it's predicted that under similar conditions, 2-mil Tedlar would last four times as long as 2-mil Mylar W (a Du Pont polyester).

Currently sold in development quantities at \$5/lb., Tedlar is expected to drop in price as soon as Du Pont's PVF plant at Buffalo, N. Y., goes on stream in mid-1962.

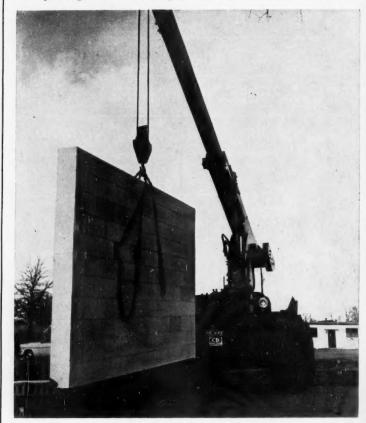
Marketers hope to find applications for the film in protective and decorative finishes laminated to metal or wooden structural materials, glazing materials and flexible roofing. Or they may be able to sell PVF film for packaging applications, touting Tedlar's chemical resistance and low gas permeability.—E. I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc., Wilmington, Del.

Anticorrosion coatings Epoxy resins are now used as binders in zinc primers.

Zinc-rich primers have been well known for their speed of application and for the protection they give to metals. A 10-20 micron coating, for example, dries in a few minutes and wards off rusting of steel for at least a year—even when steel is stored outdoors in all sorts of weather.

But at the recent Achema meeting in Frankfurt, Germany, P. H. Enthoven of Shell Plastics Laboratory pointed out to CE editors that most zinc-rich primer coatings don't satisfactorily resist salt water, and may soften if subse-

Quakeproof wall is possible with epoxy mortar



A wall panel, made of concrete blocks bonded by Threadline Mortar, held successfully even after it was lifted; subsequently laid down, picked up and jostled by the crane's boom, trying to break the wall joints.

The new mortar consists of epoxy resins and mortar ingredients that when combined make an adhesive suitable for bonding concrete, cinder, lightweight blocks and bricks. Easily applied by extruder, caulking gun or similar tools, Threadline cuts the time and labor required in masonry works in half. At 70 F., it reaches an initial cure in 24 hours and full strength in 72 hours—nine times faster than ordinary mortar.

According to the manufacturer, a 50-lb. Threadline kit is sufficient to lay 500 masonry blocks. To do the same job with ordinary mortar, one would need six bags of cement, three bags of lime, 150 shovels of sand and 25 gal. of water—a weight of 1,500 lb.—Raybestos-Manhattan Inc., Bridgeport, Conn.

quent overcoat paints contain sharp solvents.

According to Enthoven, both problems can be eliminated with zinc primers that use epoxy resins as the binder material. By cross-linking in three dimensions, this epoxy binder will make a tough bond between the zinc pri-

mer and the steel. After cure, the film can be overcoated with any other surface coating system, without danger of softening by solvents, or loss of adhesion.

Recently developed primer coatings contain about 94% by weight of ultrafine zinc dust and 6% of binder, which consists of Epikote



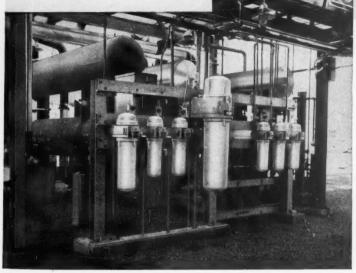
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Spin Top enclosures are available in four sizes to include circuit breakers, across-the-line starters and combination starters, Size 0 through 5, reversing, non-reversing, and two-speed versions. They're built for Class I, Group C and D; and Class II, Group E, F, and G service.

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1001 (an epoxy resin) and a polyamide resin as curing agent.

In the Rotterdam, Netherlands, shipyards, the steel treated with the new primers is mechanically handled, welded, cut and bent without damage to the zinc coating. Prefabricated sections have been stored outdoors and the hull on the slipway further exposed to weathering and salt water for over a year without rusting; the surface remains in such good condition that overcoating can be effected without elaborate cleaning .- Shell Plastics Laboratory, Delft, Holland. 80C

Catalyst

Product offers high activity and long service life in sulfuric plants.

Designed to boost the conversion efficiency of SO₂ to SO₃, Code 816 catalyst is finding good acceptance in contact sulfuric acid plants, which until recently have used only platinum or vanadium catalysts.

Although the exact nature of the catalyst is still a secret, the new material is reported much more active than the usual vanadium catalysts. According to D. B. Burkhardt, president of Von Bree Inc., Code 816 pellets need only one fourth the depth at 450 C. and only one-tenth the depth at 550 C. to get the same change in conversion as with a unit depth of vanadium.

Because of its high cost (\$20/ liter, with a salvage value of \$9/ liter on replaced material), the new catalyst is used in the 350-470 C. range where vanadium is relatively inert. Or it is employed in thin layers in combination with existing vanadium catalyst to yield higher production rates than are possible with vanadium alone.

Sold in the form of \(\frac{3}{2}\)-in. by \(\frac{3}{2}\)-in. pellets, the new product has a kindling temperature of 350-370 C. under plant conditions with 9-10% SO₂ feed gas. Kindling point increases about 5-10 C. per year; pellets do not spall in service, can be used up to 700 C., and have a useful life of over six years.

Because of the larger pellet size, pressure drop per unit depth is reported to be only 20% that of the usual vanadium catalyst. Much-lower pressure drops (alternately, greater gas flow) can be obtained by partial replacement of vanadium because of the lesser depth of Code 812 needed per unit of conversion change.—Von Bree Inc., Newark, Del. 82A

Ferrocene

Organometallic is now available in development quantities.

Dicyclopentadienyl iron is the latest addition to the series of transition-metal organometallics produced by Ethyl Corp. Commonly known as ferrocene, the compound is being offered in development quantities at \$10/lb. However, Ethyl is looking forward to the time when production of ferrocene will be in the million pound range and prices will be between \$2 and \$4/lb.

Because of its unique, stable structure, ferrocene is expected to find applications in areas that include: combustion control additives, high-temperature lubricants, intermediates for thermally stable and radiation-resistant polymers and ultraviolet absorbers.

An orange-yellow crystalline powder at room temperature, pure ferrocene, (C₃H₅)₂Fe, is a sandwich structure comprised of two cyclopentadienyl rings lying in parallel planes with an iron atom located between them. The metal atom is symmetrically bound to the five carbon atoms of each cyclopentadienyl ring.

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Pure ferrocene melts at 173 C, boils at 249 C., and resists pyrolysis at 470 C. It is soluble in a number of organic solvents including benzene (19 g./100 g. solvent at 25 C.).

The ferrocene marketed by Ethyl assays 98 wt.% dicyclopentadienyl iron, and melts in the 172-175 C. range.—Ethyl Corp., New York. 82B

Masonry waterproofing Boron esters bind silicon esters to calcium in masonry pores.

Three years of research have resulted in a sophisticated approach to waterproofing masonry products with silicon. By combining the effects of boron and silicon, Guardian Chemical Corp. has developed a waterproofing agent that binds itself into place. Called Surtiseal, the agent contains boron and silicon esters in an aqueous base, can be applied to wet concrete, damp basement walls, or even mixed directly with concrete.

Acting as a chemical link, the boron ester binds the silicon ester to the calcium in the masonry,

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These double-wall cryogenic storage tanks play a vital role in the first privately-owned plant to supply liquid hydrogen on a large-scale commercial basis. Hydrogen is stored in the sphere at -423°F and nitrogen in the cylindrical tank at -320°F. Located in Torrance, Calif. and owned by Linde Company, Division of Union Carbide Corporation, the plant will deliver 3,300,000 lbs. of liquid hydrogen yearly to missile centers. Both tanks were designed (using Lindeapproved designs), fabricated and erected by CB&I, world's most experienced builder of cryogenic vessels.



ABOVE: Aluminum inner shells and carbon steel outer shells were used for the two cryogenic tanks. The spherical tank is 28 ft. in diameter and the cylindrical tank 21½ ft. Special insulation is between the shells.

TOP LEFT: The inner sphere is suspended in the outer sphere by stainless steel rods positioned around the perimeter. Resting on the ground nearby is the aluminum inner shell of the cylindrical nitrogen tank.

LEFT: A trailer is being loaded with liquid hydrogen for delivery to missile centers, other government installations, or industry.

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imparting long-life water seepage protection to the treated surface. If correctly applied, two coats of Surtiseal can prevent substantial water permeation for five to ten years, according to the manufacturer.

Treated surfaces can be painted. When unpainted, the appearance of the treated area is enhanced by a built-in masonry brightener. However, brightener life is relatively short—about one year.

Already available in commercial quantities, Surtiseal can be used to protect concrete sidewalks and highways against the chemical action of de-icing salts.

—Guardian Chemical Corp., Long Island City, N. Y. 82C

Aleuritic acid

Compound is an intermediate in manufacture of plastics, adhesives, pharmaceuticals and perfumes.

Aleuritic acid, chemically OH-CH₂(CH₂)₅(CH-OH)₂(CH₃)₇CO₂H, is a slightly yellow solid that melts at 101 C., weighs about 4 lb./gal., and is practically unknown—except to French perfume makers who pay as much as \$4/g. for it.

But now, through the joint efforts of New York's William Zinsser & Co. and Angelo Bros. Ltd. of Calcutta, India, aleuritic acid is produced in commercial quantities, sells at \$5.75/lb., and can branch out in even industrially larger markets.

Extracted from shellac, this acid serves as a versatile chemical intermediate because of the position of its reactive hydroxyl and carboxyl groups. Catalyzed with mineral acids, it reacts with alcohols, giving esters that are useful in compounding with cellulose esters for making lacquers, plastics and fibers.

Condensation of aleuritic acid with phthalic anhydride and glycerin yields a clear product of good adhesive properties. Using the acyloin synthesis, one can obtain a,ω-dicarboxylic acids and ω-hydroxy acids.

Aleuritic acid is soluble in

lower alcohols, such as methyl, ethyl and isopropyl, also in dioxane, glycerin and lower glycols.— William Zinsser & Co., New York.

Briefs

Platinum reforming catalyst, now offered in a halide-free form, can produce high yields of motor gasoline of desired high octane number, at relatively mild operating conditions and without addition of halogen compounds to the feed. The new catalyst is readily regenerated in situ for restoration of activity after prolonged use.—Houdry Process Corp., Philadelphia.

Five stripping agents have been prepared for removal of protective coatings from various metals. These new formulations boast such features as increased efficiency with a reduction of caustic, fast stripping rates, stability at both room and elevated temperatures. They are particularly effective in stripping phenolics, epoxies, urea and melamine formaldehyde, varnishes and coatings based on drying oils.—Armour Industrial Chemical Co., Chicago.

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Rust remover Aci-Gel, composed of several acids that clean metals by chemical action, claims to replace costly manual methods such as wire-brushing, blast cleaning and flame cleaning. Suspended in a thixotropic gelling agent, product clings to vertical surfaces and won't sag. It acts in minutes and, after flushing with water, leaves a clean surface ready for painting.—Sloan Chemicals Inc., Cleveland.

Highest-density polyethylene is claimed by Hi-fax resins, made by a proprietary Hercules process via Ziegler catalysts. Density is 0.962 (compared to 0.945 for the original Hi-fax high-density polyethylene).

—Hercules Powder Co., Wilmington, Del. 84E

Di-2-ethylnexyl azelate, designated Flexol Z-88, can be used as the sole plasticizer for vinyl applications that demand good low-temperature performance. Because of this plasticizer's low volatility, vinyls can maintain their properties over extended periods of time with improvement in the drape and softness of films, sheeting and coated fabrics.—Union Carbide Chemicals Co., New York.

Anhydride systems catalyst is said greatly to prolong pot life, to give sharper cures, to maintain low viscosity and to raise heat qualities of all anhydride resins. Dubbed Catalyst 215X, the accelerator is particularly effective in curing methyl nadic anhydride, but operates well in any anhydride system with 2.5-5% resin.—Isochem Resins Co., Providence, R. I. 84G

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Triethylene glycol, recently cleared by the Food and Drug Administration for use in food packaging, is available in a premium grade of less than 0.1% diethylene glycol impurity. Applications range from a plasticizer or humectant in cellulosic food wrappers to cork seals for beverages. — Dow Chemical Co., Midland, Mich.

Fatty amide named Kemstrene Su is a dry, free-flowing powder aimed at introducing improved slip and antiblock properties to polyethylene and polypropylene films. Other oleamides are waxy, of gum-like consistencies. — Humko Products' Chemical Div., Clifton, N. J. 84J

Phosphate buffer called Neutralize is an antidote for acid, alkali, hydrazine and other burns; it washes fuming chemicals from the skin and eyes in a fraction of the time needed by water.—E. D. Bullard Co., Sausalito, Calif.

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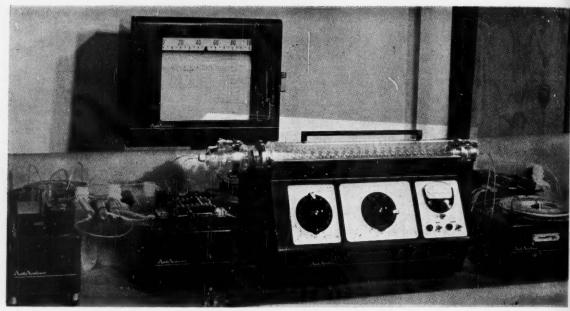






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Key to automatic nitrogen analysis is a continuous digester (highlighted) that cleans itself between samples.

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Where nitrogen content is related to a variable in a batch or continuous process, automatic monitoring can provide analysis and control on a highly reproducible basis. The system is many times faster than the classical Kjeldahl method

Automatic process control is no better than the system that determines the need for a change of conditions, which in many cases depends in turn on analysis of the stream.

Where the quality of the stream can be related to a nitrogen analysis, a new device developed by Technicon Controls, Inc. can provide speedy, reproducible results that can be converted into a control signal. The unit also can be used in the laboratory for a many-fold increase in nitrogen analyses.

Areas of the process industries where the instrument may prove important include:

Pharmaceutical—nitrogen determination helps identify and establish purity of organic compounds in many cases where a specific analysis does not exist.

Fertilizer—analysis of raw materials and final product is needed to assure that nitrogen content is equal to (but not significantly greater than) the label value.

Feed and Milling—protein content, determined by nitrogen analysis, is critical in both raw materials and final product. Protein content is guaranteed in feeds such as corn gluten feed and meal.

Food and Fermentation—Many foods are sold on the basis of protein content, hence nitrogen analysis of products is imperative. Likewise, yeasts, alcoholic beverages and antibiotics need nitrogen analysis for raw materials, intermediate or final products.

Petroleum and Chemical—wherever nitrogen content of a stream can be related to a controllable process variable, the automatic analyzer may be used.

► What Is It?—The automatic sys-

tem includes a number of standard components, with the important addition of a new digestion vessel that can accept a series of samples and prepare them for quantitative analysis.

Basically, the digester consists of a glass tube containing a helical groove along its 2-ft. length. As the tube is rotated, material introduced at one end is conveyed to the other.

At the start, only the digestion fluid is flowing through the helix. After the sample is added, the mixture occupies a certain number of grooves. Additional digesting fluid cleans the helix between specimens and forms a barrier between them so the identity of each individual sample is preserved throughout the system.

Digestion takes place in two stages. In the first, the sample mixture is oxidized at about 450 C.; in the second, at 350 C., digestion is completed. At the exit end, digested samples follow each other into a trough, where an aspirating pipette continuously draws off an

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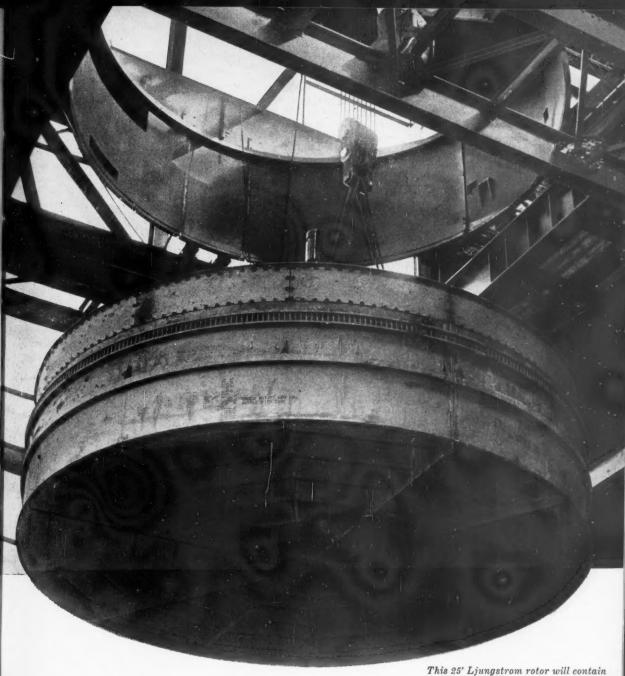
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aliquot for analysis in an Auto-Analyzer system.

▶ Permanent Record—When the sample has passed through the analyzer, where it has been converted by various reagents to a form suitable for colorimeter analysis, the result is permanently recorded on a strip chart. This reading can be converted into a control signal if the system is used for process analysis. It can also be related to a particular batch or portion of a batch by the time parameter on the chart.

Proper flow of reagents and samples is maintained with a proportioning pump that consists of a series of flexible tubes that are progressively compressed by a number of rollers. The rollers pass along the tubes at the same rate, so by varying tube diameters, flow ratios can be accurately maintained.

Other advantages of the automatic system are savings in equipment space requirements († of that required for manual analysis by the classical Kjeldahl method), and considerable reduction in glassware inventory since the automatic system is self cleaning.—

Technicon Controls, Inc., Chauncey, N. Y.

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Valve actuator Pneumatic unit is adaptable to ball, plug, butterfly valves.

A remotely controlled pneumatic valve actuator can be installed on quarter-turn valves of any type, make or size. Four models span the torque range from 100 to 2,050 in. lb.

Self-contained with no external actuating levers or swiveling cylinders, the unit is lubricated and sealed at the factory. In tests, models have operated for more than 250,000 cycles at rated torque, according to the manufacturer.

Close-coupled construction and central mounting results in minimum space requirements when device is installed.—Contromatics Corp., Rockville, Conn. 88A



Test gage

Pressure-vacuum instrument ranges from 30 in. Hg vacuum to 300 psi.

Accurate to within 0.5% of scale range, this test gage is now available in compound as well as regular pressure ranges. Dial is graduated over 330 deg. of arc to give wider calibration subdivisions than are available on conventional gages.

Suitable for use with air, steam, liquids or gases that are noncorrosive to phosphor bronze, the unit has a beveled, extra-thick glass dial-cover to reduce parallax in readings. If desired, the gage is furnished for oxygen service. A protective cover is optional.

Four units cover the following ranges: vacuum to 30 or 300 psi., 0.30 or 0-1,000 psi.—Manning, Maxwell & Moore, Inc., Stratford, Conn.

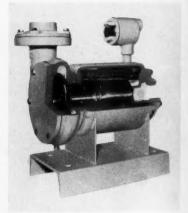
Gas detector Diffusion sampling is used to find combustible gases and vapors.

Said to cost less than permanently installed sample-drawing

instruments, a diffusion-head-type gas detector and alarm unit continuously monitors hazardous areas, reports the presence of natural gas, LPG and other combustible gases and vapors.

The head containing the detector filament is connected to the analyzer by three wires enclosed in a small conduit. Atmospheric currents reach the filament through a screen that prevents ignition of explosive fumes.

The analyzer unit should be located in a gas-free area in its dustproof aluminum case, although an explosion proof housing is available. A transistor-regulated power supply yields constant voltage to the filament despite line variations. — Johnson-Williams, Inc., Palo Alto, Calif. 88C



Canned pump

Sealless unit delivers up to 100 gpm. at 92 ft. head.

Rated to 500 F., a high-head, high-capacity pump has only one moving part—the rotor-impeller. Like other canned units, there is no seal, stuffing box or lubrication fittings.

Pump design provides that all bearings are fully flushed with the pumped liquid without the need for a recirculating tube to insure lubrication of the rear bearings. For cleaning or bearing replacement, the volute plate can be removed without disturbing the piping. The rotor-impeller shaft

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assembly slides out through the same opening.

The unit is available in cast iron or Type 316 stainless steel, for pumping a variety of fluids including corrosives or process fluids that may not be contaminated by lubricants or packing.—The Corley Co., Boonton, N.J. 88D



Conductivity meter

Portable or panel mounted, it reads concentrations of varied solutions

Concentration of solutions ranging from distilled and demineralized water to concentrated acids and bases can be measured with this conductivity meter. Scale can be provided with micromho calibrations, as well as direct reading in terms of solution concentrations being measured.

Output terminals are provided for connection to a standard millivolt recorder or controller. Manual or automatic temperature compensation can be provided. Used with suitable conductivity cells, the meter serves as a portable unit or may be panel mounted.—Industrial Instruments, Inc., Cedar Grove, N. J. 90A

Solids pump

Pneumatic unit unloads pulverized materials from railroad cars.

A fluidized-solids pump unloads materials from hopper-bottom railroad cars to storage bins or trucks. It is said to handle a wide range of pulverized materials, such as portland cement, limestone, clay and similarly sized solids.

Called the F-K 62, the unit requires a trench only 17-in. deep below the bottom of the rail. Pump and air supply are combined in one package, available with either V-belt or direct drive.

Transfer rate is up to 300 bbl./ hr. of portland cement at distances up to 125 ft. Single-stage, positive displacement blowers are said to keep investment for power and air requirements to a minimum.— Fuller Co., Catasaqua, Pa. 90B



Vertical tank heater

Aluminum fins on 1-in. pipe give 244 sq. ft. of heating surface

Wound into a helix that is 19½-in. in dia., a length of 1-in., finned steel pipe is supported on three legs to form a portable tank heater that fits through a standard 20-in. manhole and gives 244 sq. ft. of heating surface.

The legs permit free thermal expansion of the coil, and position the heater above normal sludge level in the tank. The 165-lb. unit has only one weld, does not need stress relieving. — The Griscom-Russell Co., Massillon, Ohio. 90C

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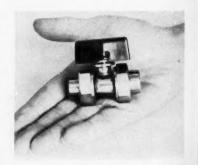


Stirred autoclave

Magnetically agitated, unit has no packing or stuffing box for shaft.

For high-pressure work, this stirred autoclave offers rotary agitation of contents without stuffing box or packing. External magnets drive internal magnets attached to the rotor shaft, which is completely sealed in the autoclave.

The design eliminates leakage, lubricants, shaft-cooling equipment, frictional wear on the shaft, and packing replacement costs.—
Autoclave Engineers, Inc., Erie, Pa. 90D



Ball valve Unit is used for sampling, instrumentation and metering.

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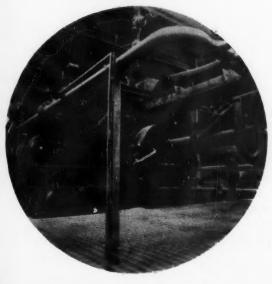
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NEW LFW HANDLES CONTAINERS This new LFW 603-C, mounted on a White Mustang, was produced to handle scrap metal storage containers. It will handle containers in capacities up to 15 cu. yds. in all Dempster-Dumpster models. Lifting capacity is 18,000 lbs. Dempster Brothers, Inc., Knoxville, Tenn., offers a catalog brief No. 160 describing this and other materials handling systems.



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This 2,000-gallon tank was produced for operation at temperatures as low as -90° F. It features its own pump and gasoline engine. Prime mover is a truck-mounted Dempster-Dinosaur which hydraulically lifts the tank into carrying position and puts it off. A new catalog section No. 12 describes the development. Dempster Brothers, Inc., Knoxville 17, Tenn.

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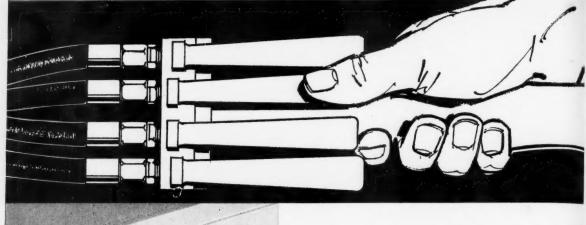


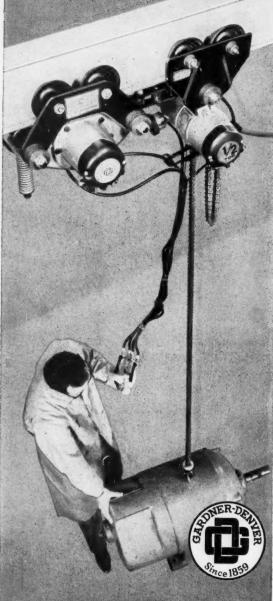
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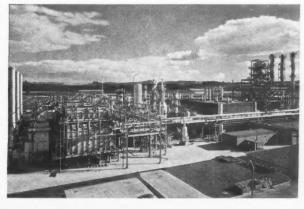
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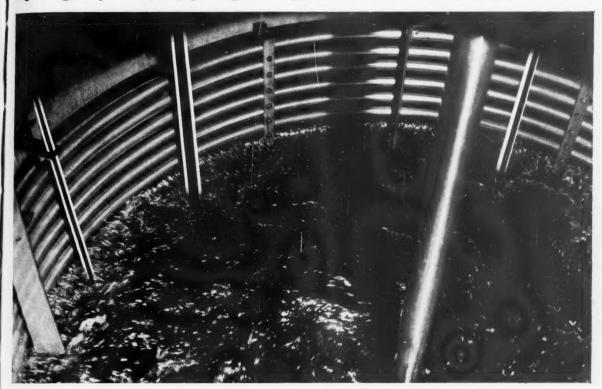
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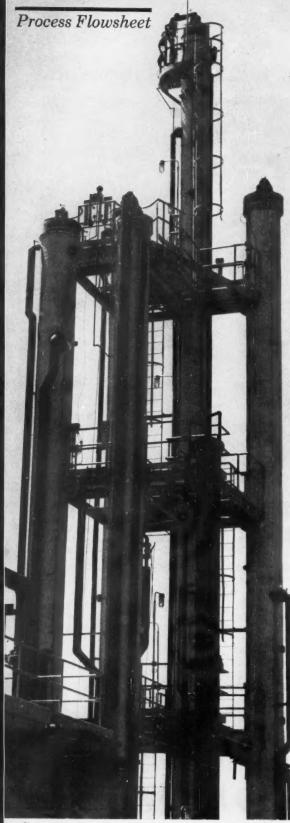
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Bullish Outlook Sires Methylamines Expansion

Prompted by a bright market picture, Rohm & Haas Co. has just completed a significant expansion of its methylamines capacity at Philadelphia. Here's an inside look at the technology behind the new unit.

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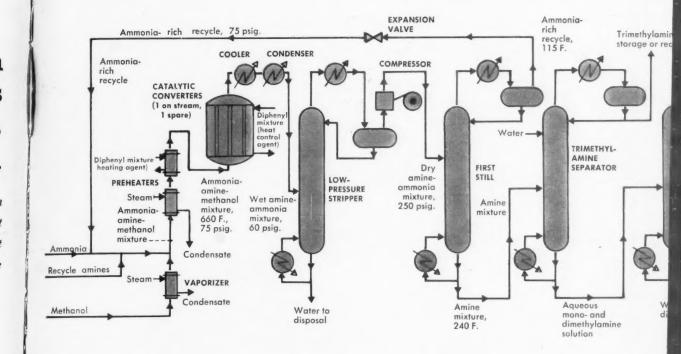
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Latest evidence that methylamines producers are bullish about their future comes from Rohm & Haas Co.

Company has just placed a second methylamines plant on stream at its Philadelphia works, supplementing the output of an adjacent unit that has been making the amines since their commercial infancy in the early 1930's. The new plant constitutes the firm's third methylamines facility; there has been one operating at Bristol, Pa., since World War II days.

Probably the most publicized outlet for methylamines is unsymmetrical dimethylhydrazine rocket fuel, which is made from dimethylamine. Rohm & Haas points out that because of the uncertain outlook for this fuel, the firm's Philadelphia expansion might be considered somewhat speculative. But methylamines have numerous other outlets, including insecticides, accelerators for rubber manufacture, and solvents for acrylic fibers production, and the over-all market picture is clearly bright.

The firm isn't alone in thinking so: early this year, Du Pont put a new methylamines plant—its second—on stream at Belle, W. Va., with a capacity estimated at 20 million lb./yr.



Capacities of Rohm & Haas' Bristol and original Philadelphia units have been reported in the literature as 7-8 million lb./yr. each. Company isn't disclosing the output potential added by its new Philadelphia facility, says only that it provides a significant increase.

► In a Nutshell—Raw materials for methylamines manufacture are methanol and anhydrous ammonia, which react directly to yield mono-, di- and trimethylamine.

$$CH_3OH + NH_3 \longrightarrow H_2O + \begin{cases} CH_3NH_2 \\ (CH_3)_2NH \\ (CH_3)_3N \end{cases}$$

In brief, Rohm & Haas reacts ammonia and alcohol at high temperature, strips out water and recycles unreacted ammonia, then separates the three amine products. Company obtains its desired proportion between the three by recycling portions of the product streams other than the one to be maximized, and by adjusting the base: methanol ratio in the feed to the amine-producing reactor. This ratio can range from 1.5, for maximum trimethylamine, to 4.0 for maximum monomethylamine.

First Steps—Feed methanol is vaporized by steam, then combines with ammonia plus recycled

amines. Mixture passes through two heat exchangers in series, in which steam and a diphenyl-diphenyl oxide mixture heat the stream to about 660 F.

Process stream, at 75 psig., then enters a vertical reactor and passes upward through tubes containing an undisclosed dehydrating catalyst. Heat control is by means of diphenyl-diphenyl oxide mixture, and the amines-producing reaction takes place at 660-750 F.

Product mixture is cooled and condensed, then enters a low-pressure stripper that operates at around 60 psig. Water—virtually amine-free—leaves as bottoms and goes to the city sewer; overhead dry mixture of amines and unreacted ammonia passes through a one-stage reciprocating compressor that raises the stream pressure to 250 psig.

Ammonia and Amines—The compressed, gaseous mixture feeds to a still for ammonia removal. Ammonia stream, leaving overhead at about 115 F., is actually a binary azeotrope containing some 7% trimethylamine; it passes through a reducing valve that lowers the pressure to 75 psig., then recycles to the beginning of the process.

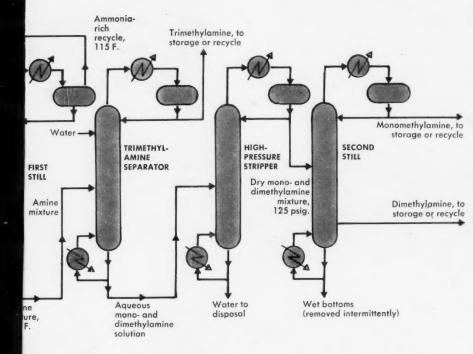
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Column bottoms is a 25-35%, aqueous solution of mono- and dimethylamine. It goes to a second stripper that removes the water added in the previous step. Water-free product then enters a still for final separation of the two amines.

This vessel operates at 125 psig., yields monomethylamine overhead. The di-product is removed a few plates up from the bottom of the column, to assure that there is no residual water in the stream. Water bottoms are allowed to accumulate and are removed as required.

Rohm & Haas' three methylamines plants incorporate bubble-cap trays, sieve trays and packing among the five separation columns downstream from the converter at each plantsite. Packing is generally Raschig rings. Except for the 100-ft. trimethylamine separator, all the columns at the new Philadelphia unit are about 70 ft. high. Ordinary steel is the principal material of construction throughout the plant.

Pumps send amines to shipping, or recycle them to process. Recycle helps control proportion among three products.

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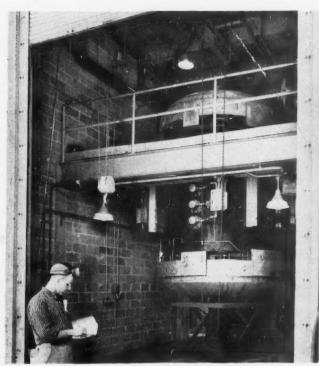
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Just now being completed, the Hallam, Neb., Nuclear Power Facility will have a 75,000-kw. (electrical) capacity. The reactor (left) and the new coal-fired plant (right) will both supply steam to the turbogenerator.

New Nuclear Plant To Have Radiation Available for Processing

Hallam, Neb., power-reactor demonstration plant, first full-scale sodium-graphite reactor in U.S., with be in full operation next summer, with available radiation equivalent to 45 tons of radium.

EDWARD G. LOWELL, Atomics International

Large quantities of byproduct gamma radiation can be made available next summer when the nation's first full-scale sodium graphite reactor (SGR) is started up at the Hallam, Neb., Nuclear Power Facility. Radioactive Na-24 in the system's primary cooling circuit will have a total activity estimated at 40,000,000 curies, equivalent to 45 tons of radium.

With moderate capital investment, a significant part of the resultant radiation can be used for chemical processing. While much larger installations are possible, a typical \$500,000 facility can provide 20 kw. of gamma radiation at about \$1.20/kwh., a figure

well below comparable estimates for accelerators or nuclide sources. At this price, radiation processing warrants fresh consideration by many sections of the chemical industry.

Today's most likely application for this facility is the polymerization of such monomers as styrene, vinyl chloride and methyl methacrylate, in solution or emulsion. While this process is not yet in common use, several investigators have reported that it is far less temperature-dependent than the conventional peroxide process and that it yields a superior, highmolecular-weight product.

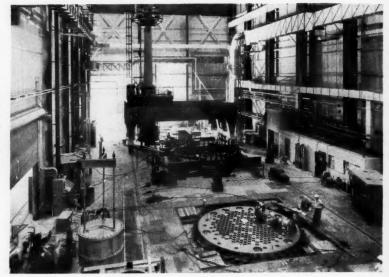
Based on published dosage figures, the 20-kw. facility described in this article could process 20-40 million lb./yr. of polymer at a cost of less than 1ϕ /lb. Whether this figure will prove attractive to individual chemical companies will depend on logistics, as well as on product quality. Transportation costs will help determine the potential of Hallam radiation as a new chemical processing tool.

Who's Who at Hallam

The Hallam power plant, referred to in the nuclear jargon as HNPF, is being constructed as part of the Power Reactor Demonstration Program of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission. Located on a site owned by the Consumers Public Power District, the 241-mw. (thermal) reactor and its associated equipment will be partially owned by the Commission, and will supply steam to the turbogenerator owned and operated by the utility. Under an agreement between the principals, the utility will operate the reactor and pay the Commission for the nuclear fuel consumed.

Atomics International, a division of North American Aviation, Inc., designed the plant's nuclear system and also fabricated the fuel elements and many nuclear components. Bechtel Corp. and Stearns-Roger Mfg. Co. provided engineering services; Peter Kiewit's Sons is managing construction.

Completion of the plant has been planned for July 1961, with initial criticality scheduled for the Reactor bay shows loading face shield in foreground, fuel handling machine at the rear. Loading face has 208 openings, will accommodate fuel elements, control rods, instruments. Heavily insulated fuel handling mechanism is moved by 175-ton gantry.



following October. Six months of testing and low-power operation are scheduled before the plant goes on the line in the summer of 1962.

Design of the Reactor

Like most heterogeneous reactors, the SGR is essentially a large heat exchanger, in many respects similar to an electric immersion heater. Heat is supplied by fission of the uranium atoms in the reactor's 137 fuel elements. These are arranged in tubular fuel channels, through which circulates the primary coolant, liquid sodium. As shown in the schematic flow diagram, Fig. 1, the primary coolant transfers its heat to a secondary coolant stream in a more-orless conventional shell-and-tube exchanger. This secondary coolant, also sodium, generates high-temperature steam (850 psi., 833 F.) in the plant's three steam generators.

While the use of a secondary-coolant loop increases the approach temperature, and thus slightly decreases the plant's over-all efficiency, this loop serves a valuable purpose in isolating the high-pressure steam system from the primary coolant.

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In the reactor core, the primary sodium is subject to intense neutron irradiation (about 10¹³ neutrons/sq. cm./sec.) and a very small part of it (0.02% per year) is converted to Na-24. The latter is a radioactive isotope with a half life of 15 hr. It decays to stable Mg-24 with the emission of one beta particle and two energetic gamma rays (1.37 and 2.75 Mev., respectively). While the beta particles are quickly absorbed by surrounding material, the gamma rays have great penetrating power. This requires that the primary sodium equipment and piping be placed in heavily shielded subterranean vaults.

The neutron absorption by Na-23 atoms and the radioactive decay of Na-24 atoms proceed concurrently. After the reactor has run at full power for about two days, equilibrium between formation and decay is reached, with the primary coolant having a specific activity estimated at 0.18 curies/cc. With approximately 7,000 cu. ft. of sodium in the primary system, the total activity is 40,000,000 curies. While this is a huge amount of radiation, design of the reactor provides for its safe containment.

If a small side stream is diverted from the primary system to radiation assemblies in separate shielded vaults, a part of this radiation can be utilized in various processing applications. The same engineering techniques used for containment of the power plant's primary sodium system can be used to insure the safety of the irradiation facility.

Some Radiation Unit Relationships

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Radiation associated with 1 gram of pure radium

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10⁶ electron volts

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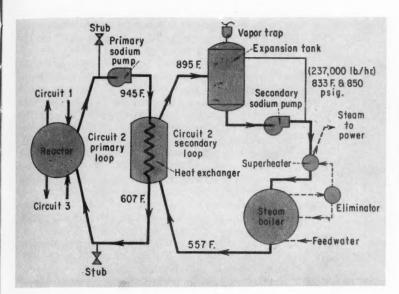
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Absorption of 100 ergs/gram of material

1.26 × 10⁻⁰ kwh./lb.

Possible Uses for Radiation

Over the past three years, several uses have been considered for Hallam byproduct radiation, most of them related to food processing. In 1958, Atomics International conducted a primary design study of a



Flow diagram shows the main heat transfer system of the Hallam power plant. Note valved stubs close to the reactor, provided to enable radioactive sodium to be withdrawn from the primary loop for use in radiation processing.—(Fig. 1)

food-irradiation facility to handle a variety of agricultural products.¹ Among the processes considered were:

· Cold sterilization of canned goods.

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- Pasteurization of meat to increase shelf life under refrigeration.
- Treatment of potatoes, onions, etc., to inhibit sprouting in storage.
- De-infestation of grain to destroy weevils and similar vermin.

Atomics International's evaluation staff developed a feasible design for such services and estimated the cost of construction at \$750,000, without materials-handling equipment. A section of its report, covering the economics of various food products, indicated that the unit cost of irradiation would be quite low.

But, a major obstacle remained. The U. S. Food and Drug Administration had not yet approved any radiation-processed foods for human consumption. Thus, the AEC received no proposals from food-handling or food-processing firms to construct such a plant.

Intensified research in radiation food processing is scheduled for a cobalt-60 facility now under construction at Natick, Mass. While Hallam radiation, because of the amount involved and other considerations, does not lend itself to use in a research unit, its potential for production is substantial. Recognizing this fact, the Commission authorized installation of valved pipe stubs during construction of the primary loops, to provide for future additions to the sodium system.

Radiation for Reactions

Various developments in the past few years have called attention to the possible use of high-energy radiation in promoting or in effecting chemical reactions. Before exploring the application of Hallam

radiation in this manner, certain principles should be discussed briefly. Rigorous treatment is beyond the scope of this article, but may be found in excellent treatises on the subject. 2,3,4

One significant effect of radiation is its ability to penetrate matter and to disrupt the binding forces between atoms. This is particularly true of gamma radiation, which can penetrate great distances in both solid and liquid materials. A number of results are possible, but the most frequent processes are those of ionization and free-radical formation.

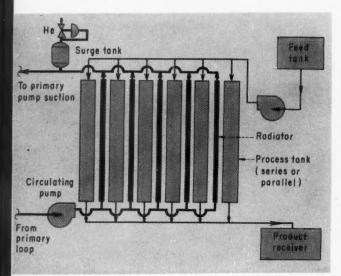
Usually, only a small fraction of the energy of the gamma photon is consumed in each collision, and thus passage of the gamma ray through the material results in a trail of ions and free radicals. These are highly reactive and, according to the chemical species and the conditions, proceed to form new molecules.

Mechanism of Reactions

The subsequent reactions can be divided into two general categories—chain reactions and nonchain reactions. In the former, we have an exothermic process that requires a certain activation energy for its initiation, but then proceeds by itself. In the latter case, we generally have an endothermic reaction, in which radiation-activated radicals combine with one another, but do not activate additional molecules.

Of the few nonchain reactions that are of current interest for radiation processing, none seems to be suitable for the Hallam facility. The production of hydrazine (a dimerization) requires far too much radiation energy—20-40 kwh./lb. of product—to be economically interesting.

In the cross-linking of polymers, two parallel molecular chains are joined at some place along their structures to give three-dimensional frameworks yielding superior physical properties. As this process



Proposed processing plant would use tubular sodium radiators alternating with rectangular process tanks.—(Fig. 2)

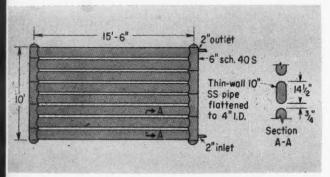
involves irradiating solid materials, it is easier to expose them to the required dose quickly in the intense beam of an electron accelerator than to use the diffuse radiation of activated sodium.

In some chemical situations, we find a different mechanism taking place. Radiation produces a free radical that immediately attacks a neighboring molecule of monomer, forming a larger excited molecule and initiating a chain. This combines with the next monomer molecule, and so on, until ultimately terminated.

$$\begin{split} M(\text{monomer}) &+ \text{radiation} \rightarrow R^{\cdot} \\ R^{\cdot} &+ M \rightarrow RM^{\cdot} \\ RM^{\cdot} &+ M \rightarrow RM^{\cdot_2} \\ RM^{\cdot}_n &+ M \rightarrow RM^{\cdot}_{n+1} \end{split}$$

This growth can end by reaction of the chain with a free radical or by mutual termination with another chain.

$$RM_n^{\cdot} + R^{\cdot} \rightarrow RM_nR$$
, or $RM_n^{\cdot} + RM_m^{\cdot} \rightarrow RM_{n+m}R$



Radiators would be 15½ x 10-ft. assemblies of thin-wall pipe to minimize gamma ray self-absorption.—(Fig. 3)

If the intensity of radiation is excessive, the concentration of radicals is too high, and termination is too rapid. This results in reduced polymer and a reduced conversion rate.

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Many of these radiation-induced polymerizations are best carried out in aqueous solution or in emulsion. Ballantine and Manowitz⁵ found that emulsified styrene polymerized 100 times as fast as the pure monomer and yielded greater molecular weight. The increase in efficiency is attributed partly to dilution, which lessens the probability of primary radicals reacting with one another, and partly to greater radical formation in the solvent. Other monomers that can be effectively polymerized in solution or emulsion are N-vinylpyrrolidone (a blood-plasma substitute), methyl methacrylate and vinyl chloride. Indications are that acrylonitrile, vinyl acetate, and methyl acrylate can be similarly polymerized.²

Several authors have observed that a lower intensity of radiation not only is more efficient but also produces polymers of greater molecular weight and superior physical properties. For the emulsion polymerization of styrene at 70 F., an intensity of 60,000 rads/hr. gave a conversion rate of 36%/hr. and a molecular-weight range of 800,000 to 1,500,000. While slightly higher temperatures increase the conversion rate, exposure times of 2 to 4 hr. seem to be required for full polymerization. Commercial production by this process would thus require a facility in which a large volume of liquid could be irradiated at one time.

Such conditions are ideal for the application of Hallam coolant which, although a source of relatively low specific activity, is available in large quantities. Accordingly, it lends itself to the design of a facility that would handle large volumes of liquid at whatever throughput was desired.

Design for a Process Facility

Fig. 2 is a schematic flow diagram for a chemical processing plant using the byproduct radiation from HNPF coolant. Five sodium radiators, piped in parallel, are alternated with six rectangular process tanks that can be in series or in parallel, as the process requires. The radiators are stainless steel pipe assemblies 10 ft. high by 15 ft.-6 in. long, as depicted in Fig. 3. The pipe wall thickness is only 0.109 in., to minimize absorption by the container. The process tanks, also 10 ft. high by about 16 ft. long, are 2 ft. thick which, for aqueous solutions or emulsions, permits absorption of 95% of the incident radiation. The walls of the process tanks are ½-in. aluminum, with adequate stiffeners. Internal baffles provide proper circulation and agitation of the process stream.

The five radiators, plus piping and associated equipment, have a combined sodium volume of about 260 cu. ft., which, when added to the reactor's primary system, reduces the specific activity from 0.18 to 0.173 curies/cc.

Using this value in a three-region shielding calcula-

lation for the two gamma-ray energies involved, we can obtain the heat-generation rate at each point in the process stream. Converting this to radiation units, we get instantaneous dose rates across the tank as shown in Fig. 4 and listed in Table I. Because of progressive absorption by the liquid, material in the center of the tank is subject to less radiation than that near the wall. Turbulent flow, however, mixes the stream and equalizes the exposure. The average dose rate for all six tanks is $1.2 \times 10^{\circ}$ rads/hr. and the radiation power of the facility is about 20 kw.

The total volume of the process tanks is 1,920 cu. ft. or 14,330 gal. If we assume that a 5% emulsion of styrene will be completely polymerized by an integrated dose of 180,000 rads, we obtain a residence time of 1.5 hr. Total solution throughput is therefore 80,000 lb./hr., while polymer output is 4,000 lb./hr. Based on an 8,000-hr. year, this equals an annual production rate of 32 million lb.

In discussing economics, we must assume that the proposed facility would be part of a somewhat more extensive chemical plant. Means would have to be provided for supply of monomer, for preparation of process solution, and for the filtration, drying, and packaging of the polymer. All these operations would also be present in a conventional process; the costs discussed herein apply, therefore, to radiation processing alone.

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The cost of the described facility is estimated at \$500,000, exclusive of land. Applying a fixed-charge rate of 23% (5 year write-off, 6% interest) against the estimated investment would result in annual charges of \$115,000.

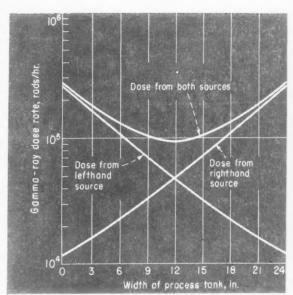
We estimate that the facility would be available for radiation processing about 8,000 hr. per year. The utility and the chemical plant would have the common objective of reaching the highest plant factor possible.

Operating and maintenance costs may be estimated as follows: An operating crew of one man per shift should suffice for that part of the plant shown. With an allowance for overhead and supervision, this time should not exceed \$6/hr. For 4.3 shifts, this is equal to \$53,000/yr.

Because of the relative simplicity of the facility, maintenance cost should be low. Experience with the Sodium Reactor Experiment, and with numerous sodium test loops at Atomics International's nuclear field laboratory near Los Angeles, supports a maintenance estimate for the sodium circulation system of less than 2,000 man-hr./yr. Accordingly, a maintenance allowance of \$20,000/yr. seems adequate to cover the entire facility.

Power requirements, including cooling of the vault, are estimated at 50 kw. A rate of 10 mills/kwh. would result in a power cost of \$4,000/yr. Finally, it is assumed that the utility will make no charge for use of the active sodium.

A breakdown of the unit costs gives the picture shown in Table II.



Radiation dosage varies with position in tank (see also Table I). Calculation is for aqueous contents.—(Fig. 4)

Since a detailed design of the facility has not yet been made, the costs given in the table are somewhat uncertain, especially the capital investment. It is interesting to note, however, that a 50% increase in the fixed charges would still leave the unit cost at less than \$0.01/lb.

Hallam vs. the Competition

These costs compare very favorably with those of alternative radiation sources such as radioisotopes and accelerators. Arthur D. Little, Inc., in a comprehensive survey of radiation uses, estimated the cost of a 30-kw. irradiation facility using cobalt-60 at about \$3.50/kwh.; of one using cesium-137, at about \$4/kwh. Furthermore, to obtain even these estimates, the costs of the radioactive sources were projected to values considerably lower than any demonstrated to date.

The same report estimated the cost of machine radiation at about \$2/kwh. But, the direct use of this radiation in chemical processing is not effective, since electrons have slight penetrating power. To promote

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Distance from Lefthan Interface, In.	LH Source		Hr. Total
3	16.52	1.62	18.14
9	7.25	3.37	10.62
15	3.37	7.25	10.62
21	1.62	16.52	18.14
Average			14.38

Estimated cost for nuclear radiation facility—Table II

Fixed charges, \$/yr	\$115,000
Manpower, \$/yr	53,000
Maintenance, \$/yr	20,000
Power, \$/yr	4,000
Total, \$/yr	\$192,000
Facility radiation power, kw	20
Operating time, hr./yr	8,000
Radiation absorbed, kwh./yr	160,000
Unit cost, \$/kwh. of radiation	1.20
Polymer output, lb./yr	32,000,000
Unit cost, \$/lb. polymer	0.006

chemical reactions, the electron beam of an accelerator must first be used to bombard a target and generate X-rays. These can then be passed through an aluminum window into the process stream. In as much as efficiency for X-ray production is not over 40%, the effective cost of the machine radiation is much greater than the figure given.

Since sodium can be piped but a short distance, Hallam byproduct radiation must be used near the reactor. Thus, as materials to be irradiated must be brought to the facility, transportation costs must be carefully considered.

Advantages of Hallam Site

This problem can be solved by building an integrated chemical processing plant next to the nuclear power station at Hallam. While this is a big undertaking, many factors favor its establishment. For example:

Site—Land is plentiful. Hallam is a small farming community 20 miles south of Nebraska's capital city, Lincoln. The utility has a 600-acre industrial site, much of which would be available for further development. Surrounding farmland is extensive.

Transportation—Excellent transportation facilities exist. The main line of the Rock Island Railroad runs through the site, while four additional railroads serve Lincoln. The site is four miles from U. S. 77, which leads directly to Interstate 80. Barge transportation on the Missouri River is about 70 miles away.

Utilities—Nebraska has large indigenous water resources with abundant underground supplies in the Hallam area. Both electric power and steam would be available from the utility at favorable rates. A 100,000-kw. conventional power plant on the same site insures continuity of service.

Raw Materials—Natural gas, LP gas, coal and limestone are all readily available. The conventional power plant, served by a large transmission line, burns gas on an interruptible basis. A new 8-in. pipeline will soon carry 40,000 bbl./day of LP gas from Bushton, Kan., close by the Hallam site, to Des Moines, Ia.

Coal comes to the plant via the Rock Island Railroad, which is establishing a specific rate for this commodity in view of its use in power production.

Labor—While the region is primarily agricultural, ample industrial labor can be obtained at Lincoln. With a population of 135,000, the city has an experienced work force estimated at 70,000, of which about two-thirds are men. In addition, the surrounding farm communities represent an untapped source of labor skilled in handling machinery. Industrial relations in the area are reported to be excellent.

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Several chemical companies and oil companies are known to be active in radiation-processing research. This activity, now generally concealed for proprietary reasons, may soon bring new products to the market and result in the development of improved methods for producing existing products. For those radiation processes that involve polymerization, byproduct gamma radiation soon to be available at the Hallam Nuclear Power Facility may prove to be a useful and economic tool. Best utilization of this radiation, however, suggests construction of an integrated chemical plant at the Hallam site.

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Some popular misconceptions about packings may lead you to accept scored rods, wasted packing, leakage or frequent shutdowns as necessary evils. Here is an approach that may change your thinking.

Reciprocating-Rod Packings Need Not Be Trouble Spots

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By applying some rather simple principles, we were able to drastically reduce packing changes in various stages of gas compressors. Furthermore, the life of the rods was greatly increased and plunger failures were eliminated.

We will discuss approaches that can help bring about similar improvements. While the principles are intended to apply specifically to metallic and soft packings in high or superpressure service, the information can also be used to advantage for low pressures. A very successful method for solving soft-packing problems associated with rotating shafts was discussed in my previous article,* so that we can now concentrate on reciprocating rods and plungers.

(A) Garter spring (B)

Original packing element (A) is serrated and has sharp edges; modified packing element (B) has lapped surfaces and rounded edges.—(Fig. 1)

There are two basic factors in packing applications—a lubricant film must be developed between rubbing surfaces to keep friction at a minimum, and the lubricant should act as a sealing medium. Too often, it is stated that "the function of packing is to control leakage but not necessarily to eliminate it," and that "a slight leakage of process fluid is desirable." This is a defeatist attitude.

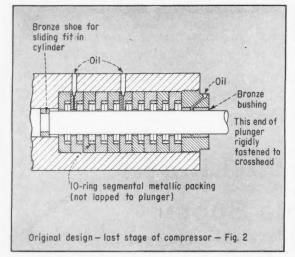
Wearing-In Means Wearing-Out

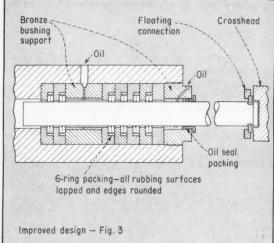
In the early development of a synthetic ammonia process, one of the many problems was poor performance of the rod packing for a 5,000-psi. four-stage compressor. The main source of trouble was the 4-in.-dia. third-stage plunger at 1,500 psi, and the 1\subseteq-in.-dia. fourth-stage plunger at 5,000 psi. Segmental metallic packing of cast iron was used on the former and a semiplastic lead-asbestos packing on the latter. Both of the plungers were surface hardened.

The performance of the packing was so poor that the operation of the process was frequently interrupted—particularly by the failure of the 4-in. plunger in the third stage. The packing in this stage consisted of eight rings in multiple retainers or compartments, as shown in Fig. 1. This type was widely used on steam engines, where it had given good service. However, the life of the packing in our application was less than two weeks. The plunger itself barely lasted a month before it had to be replaced.

At first, we assumed that deficient lubrication might be part of the problem, and provided an additional supply. But this was of no benefit. Even the inventor of the packing was called in, but he could offer no

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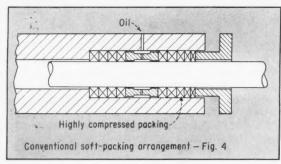
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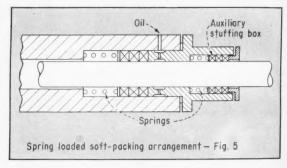
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suggestions to improve the installation. Apparently the conditions were different than they were at low pressures.

It was common practice for the manufacturer to furnish metallic packing with serrated wearing surfaces and sharp edges, on the supposition that the packing would "wear-in" to the rod and that the sharp edge would help to prevent gas leakage. When we observed that the oil from the packing was black due to the presence of finely divided cast iron, we began to suspect that the wearing-in theory might be wrong, particularly at higher pressures. Therefore, we decided to try something different. Instead of serrations, the rubbing surfaces were made smooth and the sharp edges were removed by honing. We thought that a rounded edge would permit the lubricant to get between the rubbing surfaces.

This was all that was done in this case, but the results exceeded all expectations. No third-stage packing change was required for the next two years, after which the compressor was transferred out of the writer's jurisdiction.

With the elimination of the third-stage problem, we reverted our attention to the plastic packing in the fourth stage. The difficulty was really not too severe, as the mechanics had developed a technique for installing and servicing it so that it was not a limiting

factor in the operation. However, we did make one significant change. Following the premise that "wearing-in" meant "wearing-out," we decided that all plungers and rods should have a "mirror finish," which was the best designation we could think of at that time for a highly polished surface. A few years later, a prominent automobile manufacturer independently discovered the value of this, and the term now used is "super-finish," and is usually expressed in microinches.

Several years later, a lubrication investigation led us to conclude that rounding the edges of packing not only prevents the scraping off of the lubricant, but also promotes the formation of an oil film between the rubbing surfaces. This is called "wedge action" or the "Reynolds Wedge". The theory is old, and is described in the book, "The Theory of Film Lubrication," by R. O. Boswell, which was published about a year after we realized the value of the rounded edge.

The Kingsbury or Michell thrust bearings, which are used almost universally for supporting the great loads on the shafts of vertical hydroelectric turbines, are based on this principle. While there may not seem to be much connection between large thrust bearings and metallic rod packing, the same oil film principles can be applied to both. The chief difference is that in one case there is a continuous movement, whereas in

the other, the movement is interrupted. In the Kingsbury and Mitchell type bearing, the oil film begins to form as soon as the disk starts to rotate.

Alignment Can Be Critical

As pressures are increased, the packing problem becomes more difficult. It then becomes essential to follow the basic principles that were described in the previous article on soft packing.

Special emphasis should be placed on obtaining as near perfect alignment as possible. It is better to provide means to compensate for slight misalignment than to rely completely on construction accuracy, since it is difficult to construct large-scale equipment with the required precision, and even more difficult to maintain proper alignment under severe service conditions.

What can be accomplished is best illustrated by a specific example. Fig. 2 shows the original packing arrangement for the last stage of a compressor operating at 13,000 psi. The 4-in.-dia. plunger had three points of support—the crosshead to which it was attached rigidly; a bushing or bearing at the outer end of the packing assembly; and a bronze shoe that acted as support and guide for the end of the plunger, and gave a sliding fit in the cylinder.

There were ten sets of packing rings made of a bronze composition, and these were installed as received from the packing manufacturer.

Perhaps the most serious adverse factor in this arrangement was the impossibility of getting good alignment. The net result was that high-temperature stresses developed, and the average operating life of both the plunger and the packing was less than two weeks. Because the plunger frequently seized or broke in the packing, a serious hazard was created when the massive machine was brought to almost a dead stop. We took progressive steps to remedy the causes of trouble, and these resulted in an arrangement similar to that shown in Fig. 3. The changes were:

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1. Design of a floating connection for attaching the plunger to the crosshead. Actually, this connection could only compensate to a limited extent for initial discrepancies in aligning the crosshead guides with the cylinder. When under pressure, there was no movement at this connection because of the heavy load on the end of the plunger, and hence it could not compensate for any movement of the crosshead in the guides.

2. Elimination of the shoe on the end of the plunger. Another adequate bushing support was provided as shown. We located this support so that it could be well lubricated, and so that the oil hole would not cause fatigue failure. (In its old location, one segment to the left, the oil hole was much more likely to be the source of fatigue failure, due to the high alternating stresses in the area.) The new support made alignment much easier.

3. Reduction of the number of packing rings from ten to six. All the rubbing surfaces were carefully lapped and the edges rounded to permit wedge action. Although this type of packing is considered to be "floating," it only floats at relatively low pressures—below 500 psi. Above this level, the higher the pres-

sure, the more firmly will the packing be clamped to the plunger.

It is usually assumed that there is a pressure drop along the length of a packing assembly and that all the rings contribute to holding the pressure, but this is not so. A test with taps between each set of rings showed that the first two rings nearest the cylinder were doing practically all the work. The rest of the rings could be considered spares.

4. Specification of a plunger finish 5 micro-inches or less. Test data have shown that, with bearings, a finish of 3 to 7 micro-inches increases the load carrying capacity very noticeably. The contact between a rod and packing may be considered similar to that between a bearing and a shaft.

The effect of these steps was gratifying. Even though alignment at times was still not quite perfect because of limitations in the original design of the compressor, the average packing life was increased to over a year, and failures of plungers were eliminated.

The improved installation demonstrated some important facts. Rubbing-surfaces that are finished to a high degree require only a relatively thin film of lubricant, and experiments with bearings have demonstrated that a hydrodynamic film of 0.00001 in. is adequate. Rounding the edges of the packing rings is necessary to develop a film.

It is common practice to specify as many as ten rings of packing for 5,000 psi., whereas less than half this number should be sufficient. Three rings properly fitted and with rounded edges are better than 12 rings with sharp edges, which have not been fitted to the rod. In the latter case, because there is the poorest kind of boundary lubrication, materials must be chosen for their wearing qualities; with film lubrication, other considerations can govern.

Conventional vs. Spring-Loaded Arrangements

It is extremely difficult to fit metallic packing segments together so that they are absolutely tight. If liquid is forced at high pressure through a small fissure or crack, "wire-drawing" takes place, which will cut out the packing very quickly.

This is not a problem with gases. Hence they are usually sealed with metallic packing, while liquids are sealed with soft or plastic packing.

Fig. 4 shows a fairly conventional soft-packing arrangement for both rotating shafts and reciprocating rods. In this system, lubricant is fed to a lantern ring that is interposed between sets of packing. In some cases, the lantern ring is located at the bottom of the stuffing box; in others, it is dispensed with entirely and the stuffing box is filled with packing.

Lubricant is introduced at the lantern ring, presumably with the expectation that it will reach the point of highest friction. When there is no lantern ring, dependence is placed upon the lubricant in the packing. In any case, the point of highest pressure, as indicated on the sketch, is next to the gland, where the packing is most highly compressed. To reach this point, the lubricant must travel the full length of the packing, instead of taking the path of least resistance into the cylinder. Furthermore, under this arrangement, it is easy for the lubricant to be wiped off, or to be diluted by the liquids being pumped.

Because of the high compression and resulting friction at the outer rings of the packing, this is where most of the wear originates. In the case of a rotating shaft, the wear pattern is circumferential, but with a reciprocating rod it is axial, and therefore scoring will pass through the length of the packing.

A secondary effect is that at high pressures the packing is forced to the outer end of the stuffing box, leaving a void at the inner end. Then, because of the movement of the rod and the turbulence of the fluid, the inner packing is agitated and may disintegrate, so that pieces of it can foul the pump valves.

Constant attention is required to adjust the packing but, as has been so aptly stated, the man with the wrench can be a dangerous person. He can be responsible, though unaware of it, for scored rods, excessive down-time and wasted packing. Of course, if some leakage of process liquid is permitted, as is frequently advocated, it might help lubrication, but at high pressures this could be hazardous if permitted to go unchecked.

Other disadvantages are that the lubricating system must be designed for maximum operating pressure, and that the lubricant might be a source of contamination. This could be an important factor in some applications.

Fig. 5 shows a packing arrangement that has solved most of the difficulties inherent in the conventional setup. A spring at the bottom of the stuffing box serves the double purpose of holding the bottom rings in place and effecting an initial seal, which helps the packing to become self sealing and self adjusting. This practically eliminates the human factor. The point of highest compression is still at the outer end of the packing next to the gland, but the difference in compression is much less marked.

For pressures of up to 5,000 lb./sq. in., the auxiliary stuffing box shown in the drawing is not required. If the oil is just dropped on the rod outside of the stuffing box, it will adhere to the rod and provide the necessary lubrication.

The auxiliary stuffing box is essential for the most difficult applications, and for pressures in the superpressure range. By introducing the lubricant at the point shown in Fig. 5, at a pressure at least equal to the suction pressure, not only will the main packing be better lubricated, but the pressure drop across it will be reduced so that the service becomes less severe.

The lantern ring, which has become part of the gland, will of course lubricate both the main and auxiliary packing. The latter will be required to hold the lubricant but at relatively low pressures this is not too difficult a problem.

Much has been written about choosing the best packings from the many types available. While selection of a style suitable to the conditions of service is important, poor performance does not necessarily mean that the packing is unsuitable—usually it's the application rather than the packing itself that causes 90% of the trouble.

Are Further Improvements Possible?

In the foregoing we have tried to show how and why packing performance can be greatly improved by the application of what should be rather well-known principles. But this is far from being the ultimate of what should be possible. The objective should be a frictionless packing with an indefinite service life.

Bridgman, in "The Physics of High Pressure," describes how, by using the balanced pressure principle in a free piston gage, extreme pressure can be retained with a fluid film. Using the wedge principle, Kingsbury and Michell have demonstarted that bearings can be built to support tremendous loads with an oil film. Therefore, by combining these two principles, it should be possible to develop a relatively simple packing element that would be effective for pressures to several thousand atmospheres.

Preliminary work has shown that a hydrodynamic pressure of 5,000 psi. is built up by moving a 1-in.-dia. rod at a speed of 100 ft./min. through a plain bushing having a wedge entrance. The lubricant was supplied at atmospheric pressure.

Some superpressure tests conducted on a seal element with a wedge entrance have further demonstrated what can be accomplished. The element was $2\frac{1}{4}$ -in. long with a 1-in. I.D. When lubricant at 1,200 psi. was supplied to it, satisfactory operation was obtained for over 2,000 hr. during pumping of a volatile liquid at 18,000 psi. There was not the slightest leakage during this period.

Precision workmanship would be essential in the manufacture of such a packing, but this should be a requirement for any superpressure packing. These ideas may sound radical, but not any more so than those of Bridgman and Kingsbury.

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His previous article on this subject (Chem. Eng., Jan. 27, 1958), met with considerable interest and approval—letters about it still come in from time to time.

Packings for reciprocating rods were not covered in that article; the present one should fill the gap.

Tables Speed Viscosity Conversion

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Of all the factors the chemical engineer must convert from one set of dimensional units to another, viscosity is probably the most annoying. It can be kinematic or absolute, in force units or mass, in English units or metric, and often occurs in several different combinations in the same equation. The theory of converting to dimensionally consistent units is not difficult.1 However, the method is time-consuming and is likely to result in mistakes.

The chart given here was assembled to make viscosity conversions easier, faster and more accurate. It is an improvement over anything previously available because of its completeness and because it comprises two tables: one for conversion of values of absolute viscosity and the other for kinematic viscosity. Conversion between kinematic and absolute viscosities is by means of fluid density. The tables are related for convenience in doing this.

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The English units used are those of the engineering system. The gravitational (force in pounds and mass in slugs) and absolute (force in poundals and mass in pounds) systems are not used here since they are rarely encountered in chemical engineering work. To distinguish between the two kinds of pounds used in the engineering system, mass pounds are designated simply as lb. and force pounds by a subscript F, lb. F. These are related by the conversion factor: 32.1740 (lb.-ft.)/(lb._F-sec.²).

In the metric system, the units of mass and force are clearly distinguished in most cases, although the term gram does sometimes appear as a unit of force. This happens, for example, in expressing pressures: one atmosphere is approximately 1,000 grams per square centimeter. If the gram is a unit of mass, this expression is, of course, meaningless. Pressures really ought to be expressed in dynes per square centimeter.

Perhaps the confusion results from the use of deadweight testers for calibrating pressure gages. Whatever the reason, force grams (which are analogous to force pounds in the English engineering system) are seldom distinguished, except by context from mass grams. When they are, a force gram is usually called a gram weight. This terminology is used here. One gram weight is equivalent to 980.66 dynes.

All conversion factors in the tables were computed using five significant figures, and then were rounded to four. Each factor is given as a number between one and ten, multiplied by ten raised to the power and sign indicated in the parentheses. Thus, the factor 3.861 (+2) is 3.861×10^{3} or 386.1, and the factor 1.020 (-3) is 1.020×10^{-3} or 0.001020.

To use either table alone, find both the units in which the viscosity is given in the column on the left, and the units wanted in the row across the top. Multiply the viscosity in the given units by the common

factor, to obtain viscosity in the desired units. division is preferred, find the given units in the row across the top and the wanted units in left column.

For example: a polymer melt has an apparent viscosity of 10° centipoises. What is its viscosity expressed in Reyns?

 $\begin{array}{l} 10^{6} \times (1.450 \times 10^{-7}) \, = \, 0.145 \,\, \mathrm{lb._{\textit{F}}\text{-}sec./in.^{2}} \\ 10^{6}/(6.895 \times 10^{6}) \, = \, 0.145 \,\, \mathrm{lb._{\textit{F}}\text{-}sec./in.^{2}} \end{array}$

To convert between absolute and kinematic viscosity, the density of the fluid must be used. The relationship is: $\mu = \rho \nu$ where μ is absolute viscosity, ρ is density and v is kinematic viscosity. Thus, a fluid viscosity in centistokes may be multiplied by the density of the fluid in g/cm.8 to obtain centipoises.

There are dimensions between the two tables that indicate the appropriate density units for conversion between the kinematic and absolute viscosity units in that column. Notice that conversion can be made between any viscosity units, using any density units with these tables. For example:

An oil has a kinematic viscosity of 22.0 centistokes and a density of 61.5 lb./cu. ft. What is its viscosity in Reyns? First, convert from centistokes to ft.2/sec. This is in a column where density in lb./ft.* can be used for conversion to absolute viscosity. Then, convert this value, by division, to be units desired.

$$\frac{22.0\times(1.076\times10^{-6})~(61.5)}{(4.633\times10^{+3})}\,=\,1.428\times10^{-7}~\mathrm{lb._{\textit{F}}\text{-sec./in.}^2}$$

These conversion tables do not take into account the many special viscosity units such as Saybolt, Redwood, Engler, Gardner-Holdt, etc. Tables for converting these values to centistokes or centipoises are readily available in Lange's Handbook,2 Bates' article3 and other references. In the second example above, the value of 22.0 centistokes might have been the result of converting an original given value of 107.1 SSU at 210 F. to centistokes, by means of such a table.

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Kinematic, $v = \mu/\rho$	cm²./sec. (Stokes)	cm. ² /sec. (+2) (Centistokes)	m.²/hr.	ft.²/sec.	$\mathrm{m.^2/hr.}$ ft. $^2/\mathrm{sec.}$ ft. $^2/\mathrm{hr.}$ in. $^2/\mathrm{sec.}$	in.²/sec.	These	e tables	give convatic and	These tables give conversion factor change kinematic and absolute visc	ctor
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in.²/sec.	6.452 (0)	6.452(+2) 2.323 (0) $6.944(-3)$ $2.500(+1)$ 1	2.323 (0)	6.944(-3)	2.500(+1)	1					
Density, ρ	gm./cm.3	gm./cm³	kg./m.³	lb./ft.3	${\rm gm./cm^3} {\rm kg./m.^3} {\rm lb./ft.^3} {\rm lb./ft.^3} {\rm lb./in.^3}$	lb./in.³	Numl	bers in parent	Numbers in parentheses are exponents of 10.	nents of 10.	
Absolute, $\mu = \rho \nu$	gm./ (cm.)(sec.) (Poise)	gm./(cm.) (sec.)(+2) (Centipoise)	kg./ (m.)(hr.)	lb./ (ft.)(sec.)	lb./ (ft.)(hr.)	lb./ (in.)(sec.)	$\begin{array}{cccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccccc$	$(\mathrm{gm.}_F)$ (sec.)/cm. ²	$\begin{array}{c} \text{(lb.}_F)\\ \text{(sec.)/in.}^2\\ \text{(Reyn)} \end{array}$	(lb. F) (sec.)/ft.2	(hr.
gm./(cm.)(sec.),	1	1.000(+2)	3.600(+2)	6.720(-2)	2.419(+2)	5.600(-3)	1.000 (0)	1.020(-3)	1.450(-5)	1.000(+2) 3.600(+2) 6.720(-2) 2.419(+2) 5.600(-3) 1.000 (0) 1.020(-3) 1.450(-5) 2.089(-3) 5.80(-3) 1.450(-3) 1.4	5.80

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$\rm kg./(m.)(hr.)$	2.778(-3)	2.778(-3) $2.778(-1)$	1	1.867(-4)	6.720(-1)	1.555(-5)	2.778(-3)	2.833(-4)	1.867(-4) 6.720(-1) 1.555(-5) 2.778(-3) 2.833(-4) 4.029(-8) 5.801(-6) 1.612(-9)	5.801(-6)	1.612(-9)
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lb./(in.)(sec.)	1.786(+2)	1.786(+2) $1.786(+4)$	6.429(+4)	6.429(+4) $1.200(+1)$ $4.320(+4)$	4.320(+4)	1		1.821(-1)	1.786(+2) $1.821(-1)$ $2.590(-3)$ $3.730(-1)$ $1.036(-4)$	3.730(-1)	1.036(-4)
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Best Methods for Obtaining Flow Data

Here is how to construct an extrusion rheometer for getting laminar non-Newtonian scaleup data; and advice on conducting turbulent tests.

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Laminar data for a $D\Delta P/4L$ vs. 8V/D plot are best obtained from an extrusion rheometer.

As we mentioned in Part 1 of this series, all that has to be measured of the fluid under study is the time a sample takes to pass through the rheometer tube, and weight and density of the sample. It is not necessary to calculate V in the 8V/D term, since $8V/D=32q/\pi D^3$ where q is flow rate in cu. ft./sec.

It is very difficult to convert τ vs. (dv/dr) data from a rotational viscometer to the required $D\Delta P/4L$ and 8V/D terms. However, suitable data can also be developed from pipeline tests and should correlate with extrusion-rheometer data.

Buy or Build Your Own

While the name capillary-tube viscometer has been used for the extrusion rheometer, this is a misnomer, since the tubes are seldom of capillary size (with viscous materials) and the instrument does not operate on the gravity principle of the true capillary-tube viscometer. These devices are more properly called extrusion rheometers (they are pressurized at the top with gas).

Commercial varieties of extrusion rheometers are available from Burrell Corp., Pittsburgh, Pa. However, the one used in this study was constructed at Coated Textile to demonstrate how simple the instrument is (Fig. 18).

The reservoir consists of 3-in.-dia. pipe, 24-in. long, with standard 125-psi. flanges fitted at both ends. This makes it easy to take the equipment apart for cleaning. The stainless tubes are small-bore, $\frac{1}{10}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. dia., available from American Instrument Co., Silver Springs, Md., or Superior Tube Co., Norristown, Pa. (Alloy-steel tubes with bores as small as 0.004-in. are also available.) Tubes are held by compression fittings and go into a blind flange fixed to the bottom.

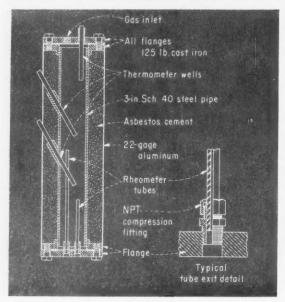
Actually, provision for two different-length tubes and two different diameters was made in the blind flange. Regardless of how they are fastened to the bottom, the tubes should extend into the reservoir with a minimum length extending outside.

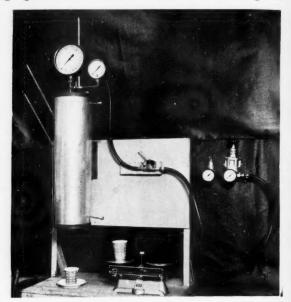
Need Precise Gages

The only instrument constants to be determined are the inside tube diameter and length. There is no problem measuring length, but obtaining an accurate diameter is rather difficult. One way is to fill the bore with mercury and calculate from weight of mercury. Diameters of the ½-in. tubes we used were determined with mercury. In the absence of a supply of mercury, diameter can be calculated by using density of the stainless and accurately measuring O.D. The former method is recommended, since it is a direct measurement, while the latter method is indirect with inherent errors. Small bores must be calibrated from larger measured tubes in the rheometer. It was necessary to calibrate the ½-in. tubes used here by this method.

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Extrusion rheometer yields data for scaling-up non-Newtonian laminar flow-Fig. 18





The blind flange fitted to the top flange has a pressure gage and a quick-coupling connection for a gas supply. The pressure gage should be a precision gage, and it should be checked before and after measurements with a dead-weight gage tester or standard test gage. Obviously, data collected will be no better than accuracy of the pressure gage.

Any gas can be used for pressurizing the rheometer, although air and oxygen should be avoided if the materials to be tested have solvents that form explosive mixtures with oxygen. Nitrogen is probably the best gas, and usually is readily available. A pressure regulator is necessary for changing pressure, and a three-way valve in the line holds pressure on the rheometer and relieves pressure after a measurement has been taken.

Small Tubes Cover Practical Range

With the viscous materials used in this study, 100 psi. was satisfactory for 8V/D or (dv/dr) of 10,000 sec. -1

Many investigators believe that a certain range of shear-rates must be used for such experiments. Actually, only the shear-stress is of interest for pipeline sizing, since this converts directly to pressure drop per 100 ft. for any pipe size. For example, consider a $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. \times 12-in. tube used with a maximum of 100 psi. This gives a shear-stress of 75 lb./sq. ft., which for a 1-in. pipe represents a $\Delta p/100$ ft. of 2,500 psi., or 250 psi. for a 10-in. pipe. For most pipeline work, these values are excessive. To reduce $\Delta p/100$ ft., the value of $D\Delta P/4L$ must be reduced—this can be done by lowering D or ΔP , or increasing L.

Consider a ± 2 -in. \times 12-in. tube with 5-psi. pressure, representing a $D\Delta P/4L$ of 0.47 lb./sq. ft., which would

give a $\Delta p/100$ ft. of 16 psi. for a 1-in. pipe and 1.6 psi. for a 10-in. pipe. The value of 8V/D and resulting gpm. will depend entirely on consistency or viscosity of the material. But tubes from $\frac{1}{2}$ -in. to $\frac{1}{4}$ -in. will probably cover the normal demands. However, an engineer can calculate the exact size of tubes he needs to get his particular requirements.

Reduce Pressure, Increase Length

The data illustrated in Fig. 2 of Part 1 of this series for the black-pigment dispersion in castor oil were taken in $\frac{1}{10}$ and $\frac{1}{5}$ -in. tubes, 6 to 12-in. long at pressures of 20 to 85 psi. To extend the data to lower values of $D\Delta P/4L$, it would have been necessary to reduce pressure and tube diameter, and also increase the tube length.

Using a 32-in. \times 12-in. tube at 5 psi. would have produced values of $D\Delta P/4L$ only 47 as large as the minimum from the 47 x 6 in. tube at 20 psi. Thus, there should be no problem in obtaining the exact range of shear-stresses desired.

Temperature Affects Results

Anyone seriously contemplating collecting pipe-flow data with an extrusion rheometer should be forewarned to take the utmost precautions in measuring and correcting for (or controlling) temperature.

Temperature coefficient for most fluids is great, and with some Newtonian materials, viscosity can double with a 10 F. drop. Initially, three bimetallic thermometers with 1 F. subdivisions were inserted into the side of the rheometer reservoir with compression fittings. These gave reasonable results. But much more reproduceable results were obtained by using three mercury

thermometers with 0.2 F. subdivisions inserted in wells fitted in the side and the top flange.

Actually, data collected in this study were obtained without any temperature control; the rheometer was set up in a plant area where a 30 F. daily temperature rise was not exceptional. Test material was placed in the reservoir, and a series of runs made as soon as the temperature leveled off. Temperature of the material in the reservoir, as well as that of the sample obtained from the rheometer, was noted. (There was usually a slight temperature increase from bottom to top of the reservoir.)

Protruding Tubes Introduce Error

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Initially, tubes were fastened to the bottom of the reservoir so they projected down from the bottom blind flange. With such an arrangement, it was difficult to get data that correlated with any precision.

A most serious error in such a design is that the inside wall of the tube may be at a different temperature from the bulk temperature of either the sample or the reservoir. Since laminar conditions exist in virtually every case, serious errors can result if the wall temperature differs from bulk temperature. With the short length of tube used, a difference in wall temperature (from bulk temperature) will only change the temperature of a thin film at the wall, and this temperature will not be indicated by any change in bulk temperature of the sample.

The problem was solved by pushing the tube up inside the reservoir so it was surrounded by the fluid to be tested. Only the very end surface of the tube contacted the air, and the reservoir was insulated.

A test was made to determine effect of temperature differences between the tube (in the ambient) and the reservoir. Two short (3-in.-long) tubes were used, one projecting down from the bottom flange into the atmosphere and the other projecting up into the reservoir. With a temperature difference of 5 F., the difference in flow rates was about 2.5% at low flow rates (at 10 psi.), but at higher flow rates (at 50 psi.) the difference was less than 1%. Such discrepancies would not be serious in most instances, but they can be easily eliminated. With tubes inside the reservoir, data of remarkable reproduceability were obtained.

Similar results could also be collected with an uninsulated rheometer in a constant-temperature bath. If data are required at temperatures well above or below the maximum or minimum ambient temperatures, the rheometer must be placed in a constant-temperature bath. Low-cost laboratory constant-temperature baths are available for controlling bath temperature to ± 0.1 F. Since data are for pipeline scaleup, it is important to remember that they must be collected at the lowest temperature expected in the pipeline. If the temperature in the line will fall to 40 F. for only one day, the system should be designed for this even though it may require double the normal operating pump horsepower.

Laminar $D\Delta P/4L$ vs. 8V/D data can be collected from an actual pipeline test. But temperature of the

material as well as temperature of the inside wall of the pipe must be known or controlled accurately. With very viscous materials, this becomes a problem. If a pump is used, it will undoubtedly generate a certain amount of heat.

A large volume of material will be required, and keeping this volume at a constant temperature is difficult. The inside wall temperature in a test pipe can be determined by embedding thermocouples in the wall of the pipe close to the I.D., or by providing thermometer wells.

Pipeline Tests Are Difficult

There is a further problem with pipeline tests. In the extrusion rheometer, pressure is accurately measured as a single gas pressure. But with the pipeline, several fluid pressures must be measured. This brings up problems of both proper design for pressure taps and of keeping material out of pressure gages and lines by purging the system.

Problems in collecting precise data on a pipe system are enormous compared with those of the extrusion rheometer. Since data from both types of measurements correlate on the same $D\Delta P/4L$ vs. $32q/\pi D^{3}$ curve, laminar data should obviously be obtained from a rheometer.

Turbulent Data for Pipe

However, as we have pointed out before, turbulent data must come from pipeline tests. If the temperature cannot be controlled, it should be measured accurately before and after the test section. Fortunately, pressure drop is much less sensitive to temperature changes in the turbulent region. This is because pressure drop varies with the 0.25 power or less of viscosity in turbulent flow, while in laminar flow, pressure varies directly with viscosity.

Problems may also develop in pipelines with suspensions or settling slurries. In such systems, velocity in every other part of the fluid path (except the stirred tank) should be higher than the test section so any settling starts just in the test section.¹ Calming or entrance lengths of 50 pipe diameters should be included before the first pressure tap and exit lengths of greater than 12 pipe diameters should follow the last pressure tap, before any geometric discontinuity is introduced. At least three different pipe sizes must be used to obtain data for turbulent scaleup. Data from a single pipe is worthless as we have pointed out (see Parts 2 and 4).

Make Necessary Corrections

Some precautions are necessary in using the rheometer and treating data.

There are inherent errors in the instrument that must be considered. First is a head correction. Height of fluid above the tube exit must be added to gas pressure above the fluid. If there is 2 ft. of fluid, this might equal about 1 psi., which could be ignored at

150 psi. However, at 5 psi. this would amount to a

Entrance Effects

Also, there are entrance losses due to sudden constriction of the fluid in passing from the reservoir into the tube. The velocity profile at the entrance of the tube is flat so the streamlines are not parallel to the axis at the upper end of the tube. Liquid velocity at the center of the entrance is less than it is farther down the tube. But, more important, fluid velocity near the wall is much greater that at the center, producing higher shear-rates and requiring greater than normal pressure gradients. It is customary to express the distance to establish a well-developed velocity profile in terms of tube diameters. From a theoretical analysis for Newtonian fluids,2 length necessary to establish a well-developed profile is $L_e =$ 0.029 N_{Rc}D. However, experimental results indicate that this value is about equal to 0.05 $N_{\rm Rc}D$. For non-Newtonian pseudoplastic materials, L_s appears to be in the range of 0.03 to 0.05 $N'_{Re}D$.

Entrance effect is actually equivalent to an increase in effective length of the tube. For Newtonian materials, this additional length has been evaluated at 0.284, 0.402, and 0.412 diameters.4 It has been suggested that for L/D of greater than 65, entrance effect is negligible. With non-Newtonian fluids, the velocity profile is usually flatter than in Newtonian fluids, so the effect would be less. For the 12-in. tubes used in this study, the \pm -in.-dia. tube has an L/D of about 200 and the 1-in. tube about 100.

Correcting for Pressure Losses

There are also pressure losses at the tube entrance due to kinetic-energy changes. Much of this loss occurs in the region just upstream of the entrance of the tube as the slow moving liquid in the reservoir accelerates to the entering velocity.

This loss is expressed as $m \rho V^2/g_o$, in lb./sq. ft. The constant m has been variously evaluated from 0.50 to 1.55.4 However, for Newtonian fluids, 1.12 is usually accepted.6 For non-Newtonian fluids, a value of 1.5 $\rho V^2/g_c$ has been suggested, but experimental results seem to show that a value of 1.0 $\rho V^2/g_o$ is probably more suitable." A very complete analysis of the problem has been presented by Bouge.* All of these considerations have been based on sudden contractions. Actually, the rheometer used in this study has a Borda entrance with slightly higher entrance pressure drops.

End Effects Usually Negligible

End effects will always be present in extrusion rheometers. To minimize these, the L/D of the tubes used should be as large as practical.

The best and most accurate way of determining the magnitude of the losses is by experimentation. This is done by obtaining pressure-drop vs. flow-rate data for tubes of various lengths (but same diameter). Pressure-drop values are taken from smooth curves of various tube lengths at a specific flow rate, and plotted against the tube length. The total end effect in terms of "equivalent" tube length can be obtained by extrapolation of the data to zero pressure drop. In general, with viscous materials, this loss is negligible if the L/D is kept high enough.

If entrance losses are ignored, the pipeflow charts will tend to be on the conservative side.

Check Against Bureau Standard

There is one last point to consider. The extrusion rheometer must be checked against a Newtonian fluid of known viscosity. Such materials are available from the National Bureau of Standards in Washington.9

Fluids are supplied in a number of viscosities with accurate data on the viscosity at various temperatures. If a semi-logarithmic plot is made of these viscosities (on the log scale) against the reciprocal absolute temperature (on the arithmetic scale), a straight line develops and the viscosity at any temperature may be determined.

If the procedure outlined above has been followed carefully, the extrusion rheometer should yield the standard viscosity precisely. Such a check is absolutely necessary to indicate that no errors have been made. There is one problem: Bureau fluids are only supplied in one-pint quantities. A much larger quantity is required for the rheometer outlined here, so another viscous oil should be used. This oil must be checked against a rotational viscometer calibrated with the Bureau fluid.

Nomenclature

- Pipe or tube diameter, ft. D
 - Gravitational constant, 32.2 (ft./sec.)/sec.
- N_{Es} Conventional Reynolds number (dimensionless), $DV\rho/\mu$.
- Pipe or tube length, ft.
- ΔP Pressure drop, lb./sq. ft.
- Δp Pressure drop, psi. Flow rate, cu. ft./sec.
- Mean linear velocity, ft./sec.
- Local velocity gradient or rate of shear in pipeline dv/dror in a rotational viscometer, sec. -1.
- Density, lb./cu. ft.
- Shear stress, lb./sq. ft.
 - Viscosity of a Newtonian fluid, lb./(sec.) (ft.)

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Although the McCabe-Thiele design method is widely used by chemical engineers for distillation problems, it may be useful to try another viewpoint. An alternate view is provided by cascade theory, and its usefulness extends to several practical areas: e.g., determining how old equipment can be used in new service and minimizing investment in multiple units.

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Applying Cascade Theory in Distilliation

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For binary distillation calculations, the McCabe-Thiele graphical method is well-known by most chemical engineers. Recently reviewed in the CE Refresher, it was originally presented over 35 years ago. Only a few simplifying assumptions are made in the familiar graphical method, chief of which is an assumption of constant molal liquid and vapor rates in the tower.

An alternative view—the cascade theory of separational processes—removes McCabe-Thiele's principal restriction. While increasing our understanding of standard procedures, cascade theory is also a useful tool for optimizing multiple-unit installations.

Fully described in Cohen^a and Benedict & Pigford, cascade theory was extensively developed for isotope separations.

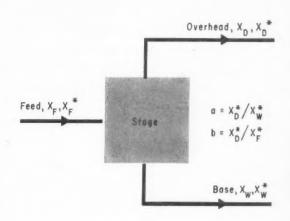
A few definitions facilitate exposition of the analysis. If concentrations are expressed as mole fraction ratios (indicated by an asterisk), the derived equations will be simplified, e.g.,

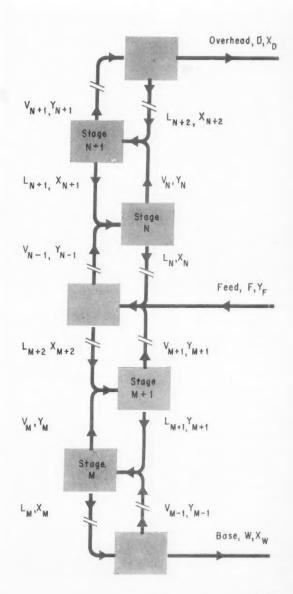
$$Y_N^* = Y_N/(1 - Y_N)$$

In equilibrium separation, any single step that effects some separation is a separating unit. Single units, such as a tray, or units of low capacity joined in parallel, constitute a stage.

At upper right, a single stage is diagrammed. Lower portion of the diagram shows how series-connected stages—a separation cascade—represent a tower.

The stage separation factor a is the concentration ratio in the overhead stream divided by the concentration in the base stream. (This is synonomous with relative volatility.) If the concentration ratio in the





overhead is divided by feedstream concentration ratio, the heads separation factor b results.

For the separation cascade, operating-line equations may be derived readily from mass balances. For the enriching section,

$$(Y_N - X_{N+1})/(X_D - Y_N) = D/L_{N+1}$$

For the stripping section,

$$(X_{M+1} - Y_M)/(X_W - Y_M) = W/L_{M+1}$$

At total reflux,

$$Y_N = X_{N+1}$$

and

$$Y_N^* = aX_N^* = aY_{N+1}^*$$

Equilibrium curve

Y'' = a X''

Operating curve

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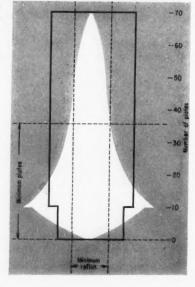
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Liquid composition, X

Well-known plot of McCabe-Thiele (above) is used to show cascade theory relations. — (Fig. 2)

Ideally tapered tower (right) is compared with a standard installation.—(Fig. 3)



From this last relation, the Fenske equation can be derived. In terms of concentration ratios, it is

$$X_D^*/X_W^* = a^N$$

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At total reflux, the separation achieved by a single stage between the entering and leaving vapor streams is a maximum. As product drawoff rate is increased, separation is reduced and becomes zero at minimum reflux. Under this latter condition,

$$Y_{N+1} = Y_N$$

From the definition of a,

$$Y_N - X_{N+1} = Y_N(1-a)(1-Y_N)/[Y_N + a(1-Y_N)]$$

Solving with the equation of the enriching operating line,

$$(L_{N+1}/D)_{min} = (X_D - Y_N)[Y_N + a(1 - Y_N)]/Y_N(a-1)(1 - Y_N)$$

or in terms of liquid composition,

$$(L_{N+1}/D)_{min} = [X_D(aX_{N+1} + 1 - X_{N+1}) - aX_{N+1}]/(a-1)X_{N+1}(1 - X_{N+1})$$

If the feed composition is substituted for Y_s or $X_{s,i}$ (for vapor or liquid feed), these equations for minimum reflux are identical with those determined from the McCabe-Thiele plot. Minimum reflux on the McCabe-Thiele plot is minimum only at the feed tray. As the composition approaches the product and waste compositions, the minimum reflux decreases to zero at these points.

In the standard adiabatically operated tower, heat is added or removed only at the base and top, resulting in constant reflux ratio throughout the tower. Though this of necessity must be greater than the minimum reflux at the feed tray, the result is rapidly increasing reflux factors (operating reflux/minimum reflux) as the ends of the tower are approached.

An inspection of plots of reflux factor vs. plate factor. shows that very high reflux factors are of marginal benefit in making a separation. Usually, however, this approach is more economic than adding and subtracting heat at intermediate points and reducing tower diameter at each end.

For the case of difficult separations, the savings in equipment cost and the reduction of in-process inventory can be made significant by "tapering" the cascade. It is interesting to determine, for the ideal case, how much interstage vapor and liquid can be reduced.

In the ideal cascade, head is added to all trays below the feed, and subtracted from those above. The following conditions hold when total interstage flows are minimum:

- \bullet Heads separation factor b is constant.
- Vapor and liquid fed to each stage have the same composition.

Under these conditions,

$$Y_{N+1}^* = bY_N^* = b^2 X_{N+1}^* = aX_{N+1}^*$$

an

$$b = a^{1/2}$$

The equation of the operating line is, therefore,

$$Y_N^* = a^{1/2}X_{N+1}^*$$

This equation, and that of the equilibrium curve,

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are plotted on Fig. 2. As required, the geometry of the plot shows that $Y_{N-1} = X_{N+1}$. The reflux ratio at any point that minimizes total interstage flow can be derived as

$$(L_{N+1}/D)_{opt} = (X_D - Y_N)[Y_N + b(1 - Y_N)]/Y_N(b-1)(1 - Y_N)$$

The equation for optimum reflux is, then, the same as that for minimum reflux, with a^{i} or b replacing a.

In a method similar to that used to derive the Fenske equation, the optimum number of stages is determined to be

$$N_{opt} = [\ln (X_D^*/X_W^*) - 1]/\ln b$$

Thus, the optimum plate factor is close to 2.

Other relations between compositions, stage number, and vapor and liquid flows can be derived. Vapor flow in the enriching section as a function of stage number

$$V_N = D + \left(\frac{D}{b-1}\right) X_D (1 - b^{N-i}) + (1 - X_D) b (b^{i-N} - 1)$$

where i is total number of stages. Similarly, vapor rate in the stripping section is

$$V_N = \left(\frac{W}{b-1}\right) b X_W (b^N - 1) + (1 - X_W) (1 - b^{-N})$$

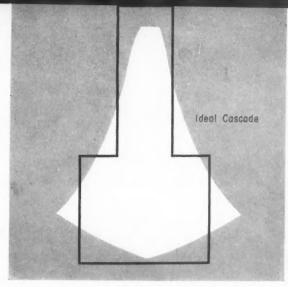
To compare an ideally tapered tower with a standard installation, consider a separation of two materials in which relative volatility a is 1.21. Assume feed, product and base compositions are 25, 99 and 10 mole percent, respectively.

Possible combinations of trays and reflux are plotted in Fig. 3. On the vertical axis, number of trays is plotted vs. vapor flow on the horizontal axis. Total vapor flow is represented by the area of the plot. Both minimum reflux and minimum plates require infinite total vapor flow, but the design case, of course, falls between these extremes.

Happel® has outlined a rapid method for determining the optimum economic balance. In most cases, the optimum reflux ratio is close to minimum, because over the life of the tower, the cost of heat transferred far outweighs material cost. Because of unrealiable volatility data, control problems or tray hydraulics at low liquid flows, however, towers are not normally designed at the optimum economic point. Fairly common are reflux factors of 1.2 to 1.6.

A standard "straight" column, designed at a reflux factor of 1.2, is plotted in Fig. 3, along with the curved outline of the ideal cascade for the same separation. Characteristic of the ideal cascade are high vapor rates at the feed point that decrease markedly at both ends of the tower. In such a tower, total vapor flow is less than 60% that required by the standard installation.

As mentioned before, it is seldom economic to add or subtract heat at other than tower top or base, and reduce diameter at both ends, for a single unit. But tall towers are expensive to erect, and upper trays can be placed in a second smaller shell with little effect on the separation.



Ideal cascade, shown in white cutout above, can be used to choose the balance of trays between two towers.—(Fig. 4)

For difficult separations, where multiple units are involved, cascade theory can be used to minimize investment. It can also be used to determine how existing equipment can best be used in a new service. By calculating vapor rate at various stages for an ideal cascade, the optimum points at which to square off the cascade into individual units (operating at constant reflux ratio) can be more rapidly determined.

Consider, for example, an installation where two towers are to be used to separate a feedstream into two relatively pure products. The ideal cascade might appear as in Fig. 4. For the two-tower system, vapor rates and plate requirements can be compared with the ideal as shown. Such comparison will frequently show that the addition of a few plates to one tower will considerably reduce the other's diameter.

The same principle—interrelating feed and product compositions, vapor rates and tray requirements-can be used to optimize product recoveries in units separating a multicomponent mixture, but the mathematics are not so precise. The ideal cascade, however, can be used as a design criterion in distillation or any other equilibrium separation process.

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Modern Transport Phenomena Can

Even more fundamental to industrial processes than the classification of unit operations is a set of underlying principles of engineering. Just as the unit operations were evolved to unify and simplify the study of industrial processes, a set of principles called transport phenomena is being developed today to unify the study of unit operations while giving greater insight into the fundamentals.

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Transport phenomena are the combined study of the basic fundamentals of momentum transport, energy transport and mass transport, which represent fluid flow, heat transfer and mass transfer, respectively. They are as basically related to the rate studies of unit operations as kinetics is to rates of reaction in unit processes, or as thermodynamics is to the study of equilibrium processes. Yet, engineers have only recently recognized this fact.

Frequently, the behavior of an operation will depend on more than one of these phenomena. For example, fluid flow, mass transfer and heat transfer are seen to be important in distillation; and both mass transfer and heat transfer have been shown to influence the rate of drying.

Analogy in Molecular Transport Equations

The question might be asked, "Why study mass, heat

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If you tear out and file this article, you've destroyed the fileability of the preceding Cascade Theory article. For a file copy of the latter, use your Reader Service postcard (p. 185) for a free reprint. and momentum transport as a unit? Why not study each separately, the way that heat transfer, fluid flow and mass transfer operations have been studied in the past?" The answers are simple. The basic fundamentals of mass, heat and momentum transfer are so similar to one another that a combined study not only conserves effort but also contributes to greater understanding of these basic principles. In addition, since combined heat, mass and momentum transport occur simultaneously in many operations, a study of these phenomena as a unit seems all the more essential if the entire process is to be completely understood.

The analogy among the basic principles of heat, mass and momentum transport can be demonstrated as shown in Table I, wherein traditional rate equations for heat transfer (Fourier's law), mass transfer (Fick's first law) and fluid flow (Newton's law) are compared to each other. It is interesting to observe that each of these well-known laws can be reduced to an equation:

 $(\text{Flux of property}) = - \text{ (Diffusivity)} \times \\ \text{ (Gradient of concentration of property)} \quad (1)$

where the units for each term are identical when considering the property being transferred. Property is used as a general term meaning quantity of heat or mass or momentum.

Units for the flux of property are: property transferred/(hr.) (sq. ft.) in every case where the property units of heat, mass and momentum are Btu., lb. and (lb.)(ft.)/hr., respectively. Units for the diffusivity of property are: sq. ft./hr. in each case.* Units for the concentration of property are: property/cu. ft. For example, the concentration of mass is: lb./cu. ft., and that of momentum is: (lb.) (ft.)/(hr.) (cu. ft.). Therefore, each of these classic equations describing molecular transport of heat, mass and momentum can be represented by a single equation.

General Equations of Change

The analogy shown in Table I is only for steadystate molecular transport of the property in a single direction. The questions may well be asked: "Does this close analogy still hold if the transport of property occurs by means other than molecular motion? What happens for the unsteady state case? How about the case where transfer of a property occurs in more than one direction?"

^{*}Methods of estimating a, the thermal diffusivity; D, the molecular diffusivity; and ν , the viscous diffusivity (kinematic viscosity) will be considered in a future issue. These diffusivities are termed "transport coefficients."

Unify Basic Transfer Theories

Table II shows such a comparison, wherein the traditional equations of conservation (often referred to as the general equation of change) of heat, mass and momentum are shown using Cartesian coordinates for the somewhat simplified cases indicated. Again, many similarities can be observed among these equations, each of which can be represented in the form:

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Each of the terms in a single column of Table II are very much alike. For example, the convection term of

Column 4 is a velocity times a rate of change of property with respect to distance (a gradient of property) for each of the $x,\ y$ and z directions. The molecular motion term in Column 5 is a diffusivity times a second derivative with respect to distance of the property being transferred for each direction. The transport coefficients, α , D and ν , have the same meaning as in Table I.

The general equations shown in Table II have been simplified by assumptions of constant C_p , ρ , D_{AB} and μ . Therefore, changes in heat are represented as changes in temperature, and changes in momentum as changes in velocity.

Only the *x* component is shown for the momentum equation. Velocity is a vector quantity while temperature and concentration are scalar.

To form a meaningful analogy, only the scalar com-

Analogy in rate equations for heat, mass and momentum transfer by molecular motion—Table I

Property	Governing Law	$\begin{array}{c} Flux \\ Property\ Transferred/\\ (Time)(Area) \end{array}$	Diffusivity (Length) ² /Time	Force Gradient of Concentration of Property
Heat	Fourier's Law (Conduction)	Heat Flux	Thermal Diffusivity	Temperature Gradient
Btu.	$q = -\frac{k d(\rho C_p T)}{\rho C_p dx}$	$q \\ {\rm Btu./(hr.)(sq.ft.)}$	$\frac{k}{ ho C_p}$ sq.ft./hr.	$\frac{\frac{d(\rho C_p T)}{dx}}{d(\text{Btu./eu.ft.})/dx}$
Mass	Fick's first law (Molecular diffusion)	Mass Flux	Molecular Diffusivity	Concentration Gradient
lb.	$J_A = \frac{D dC_A}{dx}$	J_A lb./(hr.)(sq.ft.)	D sq.ft./hr.	$\frac{d(C_A)}{dx}$ $d(\text{lb./cu.ft.})/dx$
Momentum (mass × velocity)	Newton's law (Viscous flow)	Momentum Flux	Viscous Diffusivity	Velocity Gradient
(lb.)(ft.)/hr.	$\tau_{\nu}g_{\varepsilon} = -\frac{\nu \ d(V\rho)}{dx}$	$\tau_y g_c$ (lb. ft./hr.)/(hr.)(sq.ft.)	$ u = \mu/ ho $ sq.ft./hr.	$\frac{d(V\rho)}{dx}$ $d(\text{lb.})(\text{ft.})/(\text{hr.})(\text{cu.ft.})/dx$

Analogy in equations of change of heat, mass and momentum-Table II

	Rate of Change With Time	Generation (External forces)	Rate of Change by Convection (Flow)	Rate of Change by Molecular Motion
Heat (Constant C_p , ρ_s^* incompressible flow)	$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t}$ =	$rac{Q}{ ho C_{\mathcal{P}}}$	$\left(V_{s}\frac{\partial T}{\partial x}+V_{s}\frac{\partial T}{\partial y}+V_{s}\frac{\partial T}{\partial z}\right)-$	$-\alpha \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right)$
Mass (Constant ρ , D_{AB} ; binary system)	$\frac{\partial C_A}{\partial t}$	R_A	$-\left(V_{s}\frac{\partial C_{A}}{\partial x}+V_{y}\frac{\partial C_{A}}{\partial y}+V_{s}\frac{\partial C_{A}}{\partial z}\right)+$	$-D_{AB}\left(\frac{\partial^2 C_A}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 C_A}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 C_A}{\partial z^2}\right)$
Momentum (Constant ρ , μ , x -component)	$\frac{\partial V_x}{\partial t}$	$-\frac{\partial p}{\partial x} + g_x$	$\left(V_s \frac{\partial V_s}{\partial x} + V_y \frac{\partial V_s}{\partial y} + V_s \frac{\partial V_s}{\partial z}\right) +$	$\nu \left(\frac{\partial^2 V_x}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V_z}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 V_x}{\partial z^2} \right)$

ponent v_x of the vector velocity V was considered in formulating the momentum equation in Table II. Therefore, it should be apparent that whereas many similarities exist among these equations, the analogy is not perfect. Remember that equations given in Table II are for special cases. More general equations of change have been presented in the literature.

The study of transport phenomena as a set of fundamental principles in chemical engineering is being developed partly as a result of these similarities in the mechanisms producing transfer of mass, heat and momentum. Such a study has been outlined in at least two new textbooks^{1, 4} and is being taught at several universities prior to the study of unit operations. Indeed, transport phenomena already have found a place alongside stoichiometry, thermodynamics and kinetics in modern chemical engineering curricula.

Application of Transport Equations

Since the equations of change of a property being transported are general, they describe the phenomena occurring in an enormous number of specific cases where dynamic processes are involved, and therefore, give an excellent starting point for a theoretical approach to these problems,

Examples of this approach are continually appearing in the recent literature. Sternling and Scriven recently won the 1960 AIChE Colburn award for the paper, "Interfacial Turbulence: Hydrodynamic Instability and the Marangoni Effect." In this article, the authors solved the equation of change of momentum for a Newtonian fluid in the absence of body forces simultaneously with the equation of continuity of mass. This and other selected examples of many recent important papers that illustrate the use of transport equations in solving complex engineering problems are shown in Table III. Each of these examples illus-

trates this fundamental approach to the solution of complex engineering problems.

The following examples are given to illustrate the transport phenomena approach to the solution of problems in more detail.

In Heat Transfer Analysis

Consider the steady-state conduction of heat in a uniform solid. The general equation of conservation of energy as given in Table II is:

$$\frac{\partial T}{\partial t} = \frac{Q}{\rho C_p} - \left(V_x \frac{\partial T}{\partial x} + V_y \frac{\partial T}{\partial y} + V_z \frac{\partial T}{\partial z} \right) + \alpha \left(\frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2} \right)$$
(3)

Note that the following terms cancel from Eq. (3) for the reason given:

Steady state:
$$\partial T/\partial t = 0$$

No generation: $Q/\rho C_p = 0$
No convection: $(V_x, V_y, V_z) = 0$ (4)

The resulting equation is the well-known LaPlace equation whose classical solution¹⁹ has long been known:

$$0 = \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 T}{\partial z^2}$$
 (5)

It is interesting to note the ease with which Eq. (5) was derived when compared with the task of writing a differential heat balance in three dimensions using the Fourier equation.

In Mass Transfer Analysis

In this example, unidirectional countercurrent laminar flow of a gas and a liquid is considered in an absorption column where a solute is being absorbed from the gas to the liquid in steady-state fashion. The equation of conservation of mass can be written as follows for the liquid (x) phase:

$$\frac{\partial C_z}{\partial t} = -\left(V_z \frac{\partial C_z}{\partial x} + V_y \frac{\partial C_z}{\partial y} + V_z \frac{\partial C_z}{\partial z}\right) + D\left(\frac{\partial^2 C_z}{\partial x^2} + \frac{\partial^2 C_z}{\partial y^2} + \frac{\partial^2 C_z}{\partial z^2}\right) + \phi \quad (6)$$

where ϕ represents the net amount of solute being absorbed across the interfacial surface of a differential element.

According to the specifications of the problem, the following terms become:

Steady state:
$$\partial C_x/\partial t = 0$$

Unidirectional flow in the z-direction: $(V_x, V_y) = 0$
Transport of mass by molecular diffusion negligible for liquids, compared with other mechanisms: $D \approx 0$
Assume two-film theory describes interphasial transfer. Hence:
$$\phi = K_x a(C_x * - C_x)$$

After eliminating the terms that equal zero and substituting the value for ϕ , Eq. (6) becomes:

$$0 = -V_s \frac{dC_s}{dz} + K_x a (C_s^* - C_s)$$
 (8)

Eq. (8) can be rearranged to yield the familiar design equation in mass transfer operations:

$$h = \frac{V}{K_z a} \int_{C_{s1}}^{C_{s2}} \frac{dC_s}{C_s^* - C_s} = (HT U_{ss})(NT U_{ss}) \quad (9)$$

A definite advantage of deriving a relationship using the transport phenomena approach is that assumptions that are made in the derivation are more apparent. For example, the assumption of neglecting effects of intraphasial molecular diffusion becomes apparent in the derivation of Eq. (9).

In Momentum Transfer Analysis

Consider steady-state laminar flow of an incompressible Newtonian fluid in a very long tube of length L and uniform radius R.

The basic equation of momentum shown in Table II can be represented in cylindrical coordinates for the

Transport equations provide solutions to complex engineering problems-Table III

Recent Examples	Approach	Ref
Interfacial Turbulance: Hydrodynamic Instability and the Marangoni Effect	Solved equation of change of momentum for Newtonian fluid, in absence of body forces, simultaneously with equation of continuity of mass.	11
Theoretical Explanation of Heat Transfer in Laminar Flow	Used simplified form of equation of conservation of energy in cylindrical coordinates.	6
The Transition from Free to Forced Convection in Mass Transfer from Solid Spheres	Started with modified forms of the equations of change of mass and momentum using assumptions of boundary layer theory.	5
Axial Mixing and Extraction Efficiency	Investigated theoretically effects of longitudinal mixing on the separation efficiency of an extraction column by solving simultaneously the equations of conservation of mass written for the two immiscible phases present.	10
Transition from Laminar to Turbulent Flow in Pipes	Applied momentum transport equations in two dimensions for a fluid on which no body forces act.	9
Unsteady Multicomponent Diffusional Evaporation	Solved the <i>n</i> equations of continuity of mass for an <i>n</i> -component system using the Stefan-Maxwell equations to describe the interrelation of molecular fluxes with concentration gradients.	7
Macroscopic Mixing in Fluidization	Theoretical basis was reduced form of equation of change of mass in cylindrical coordinates for the steady state case where a turbulent form of Fick's second law was assumed to represent eddy diffusion.	3
Heat or Mass Transfer in a Fluid in Laminar Flow in Circular or Flat Con- duit.	Accurate solution of steady state equation of change of heat for unidirectional flow in cylindrical cartesian coordinates was presented.	2

Future articles in this new CE Refresher series will include:

- General equations for transport phenomena
- Prediction of transport coefficients
- · Solving complex engineering problems

z-component and results in the following equation:

$$\frac{\partial V_{s}}{\partial t} = \frac{1}{\rho} \frac{\partial P}{\partial z} + g_{z} - \left(V_{r} \frac{\partial V_{z}}{\partial r} + \frac{V\theta}{r} \frac{\partial V_{z}}{\partial \theta} + V_{s} \frac{\partial V_{z}}{\partial z} \right) + \\
\nu \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(\frac{r \partial V_{z}}{\partial r} \right) + \frac{1}{r^{2}} \frac{\partial^{2} V_{z}}{\partial \theta} + \frac{\partial^{2} V_{z}}{\partial z^{2}} \right]$$
(10)

According to the specifications of the problem, the following terms in Eq. (10) become zero:

Steady state: $\partial V_z/\partial t = 0$ Unidirectional flow: $(V_r, V_\theta) = 0$

Constant diameter pipe, incompressible fluid:

$$\partial V_z/\partial z = 0 \tag{11}$$

No gravitational attraction in direction of flow for horizontal pipe: $g_z = 0$

Making the simplifications indicated in Eqs. (11), Eq. (10) becomes:

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial z} = \mu \left[\frac{1}{r} \frac{\partial}{\partial r} \left(r \frac{\partial V_z}{\partial r} \right) \right] \tag{12}$$

Eq. (12) is the basic differential equation whose solution leads to the classical Hagen-Poiseuille law for laminar flow of Newtonian fluids in cylindrical ducts:

$$P = 32 V \mu L/g_c D^2 \tag{13}$$

The prime purpose of these examples has not been to indicate easier methods of deriving classical equations such as Eq. (13) but rather to show the wide applicability of the general equations of change using well-known cases. It is easy to see that the governing differential equations for many complex problems can be just as easily obtained by an analogous procedure.

Since the advent of analog and digital computers, solutions to differential equations of a more complex nature have been made possible. Articles are continually being published on numerical and analytical solutions to partial differential equations.

In the future, engineers with a background of fundamental engineering principles such as transport phenomena, kinetices and thermodynamics, and with computers as a tool, will be able to provide theoretical solutions to many of the complex engineering problems they have been unable to solve in the past.

Chemical engineering will continue to see more emphasis on this approach in the future with transport phenomena becoming as commonplace to the engineer as thermodynamics is today.

Nomenclature

- CConcentration, lb./cu.ft.
- Concentration in x-phase, lb./cu.ft.
- C_x C_x Concentration in x-phase that would be in equilib-
- rium with y-phase, lb./cu.ft. C_p Heat capacity, Btu./(lb.)(°F.).
- Pipe diameter, ft. d
- Diffusivity, sq.ft./hr. D
- D_{AB} Diffusivity of A in B, sq.ft./hr. Acceleration of gravity, ft./hr.2 g
- Gravitational constant, lb.-ft./(lb.f) (hr.2). go
- h Column height, ft.
- HTU or Over-all height of a transfer unit based on x-phase,
- Flux of mass, lb./(hr.)(sq.ft.).
- kThermal conductivity, Btu./(hr.)(sq.ft.)(°F./ft.).
- $K_x a$ Mass transfer coefficient multiplied by interfacial area, 1/hr.
- NTUOver-all number of transfer units based on x-phase.
- Pressure, lb.f/sq.ft. ΔP Pressure drop, lb.f/sq.ft.
- Rate of generation of heat per unit volume. Q
 - Heat flux, Btu./(hr.) (sq.ft.)
- R Rate of generation of mass per unit volume, lb./(hr.) (cu.ft.).
- Cylindrical coordinate in direction of radius, ft. 20
- Time, hr.
- TAbsolute temperature, °R.
- Scalar velocity component, ft./hr.
- Vector velocity, ft./hr.
- x, y, zCartesian coordinates, ft.
- Thermal diffusivity, sq.ft./hr.
- Cylindrical coordinate, radians.
 - Viscosity, lb./(ft.)(hr.).
- Viscous diffusity (kinematic viscosity), sq.ft./hr.
 - Density, lb./cu.ft.
- Shear stress perpendicular to flow, lb.f/sq.ft.
- Rate of interphasial mass transfer per unit volume, lb./(hr.)(cu.ft.).

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Engineering Observers Tell of Russian Visit

EJC team toured U.S.S.R. last year to gain impression of engineers' education and use.

Russia has nearly 30% more engineers than the United States, and last year graduated three times as many of them as did the U.S. So discovered a delegation of engineering representatives, headed by chemical engineer Walter Lobo, that toured U.S.S.R. facilities last year under a cultural exchange agreement.

By no means a comprehensive look (the team visited no process industry plants, for example), the group's report* still offers provocative checkpoints of Russia's continuing economic climb. Among its points, the report states that

 Quality of engineering education is as good or better than that of U.S. undergraduate training—at least in those institutes visited.

• Cooperative industry-engineering school education is the rule, rather than the exception.

 Manpower planning, unguided by market supply and demand, has led to discipline imbalances in the past. Under a new method of planning, which still hasn't had time to shake down, economic needs of the next two decades will determine engineers' training and allocation.

 Continuing education on a part-time basis is state-encouraged and well accepted by individuals in industrial positions.

Incentives Under Socialism

Just as youngsters in this country seek the financial return, community prestige and other rewards of the professions, so do they in Russia. But the team verified what has seemed apparent—that such incentives as pay and housing are awarded on an extremely preferential basis, and prestige of certain professions towers above that of the same professions in the U.S.

Starting salaries of diploma engineering graduates ranged, in 1960, from 800 to 1,200 rubles at a time when the official exchange rate was four rubles to the dollar. Buying goods in Moscow, however, the team found that 10:1 gave a better measurement of purchasing power when converting to dollars.

After five years of experience, most engineers earn 2,000 rubles/mo., with a range of 1,500 to 3,000. In

remote areas there may be "hardship" increments of good size. Too, if the enterprise which employs the engineer meets or exceeds its annual goal, bonuses may be added to his pay.

Because of the state planning of jobs, and the incentives attached to those in engineering and science, students tend to seek places in the universities for the necessary training. Not only do they have the future rewards in mind, but also the stipends they receive while in school. The U.S. delegation found, for example, that at one institute, students of mining engineering received 350 rubles/mo. in their first year, 400 in their second, 450 in the next two years and 480 rubles/mo. in the fifth year. Those with top grades received an increment of 25% above the amounts indicated.

Substitute for Spring Recruiting

Though there is no legal compulsion (there once was), political pressure channels most graduates into jobs the state assigns. The closest the Russians come to our annual marathon recruiting in the colleges is when alumni in industry write back to their alma maters asking for graduates, thus trying to short-circuit the state-planned distribution. These requests are simply funneled into the official placement plan.

Distribution is handled by first asking the students' preferences, then attempting to match preferences to available vacancies, finally "offering" jobs to the students individually. About 70% of the students in full-time schools are placed in this first go-around, most others find jobs to their liking in later adjustments. Very few—"five or six in a graduating class of 1,600," said one institute officer—are unhappy about assignments. Those who are can later apply for a transfer.

Though it is the most important source of new engineers, the distribution system of the day institutes isn't the sole source of new engineers. The Soviets encourage part-time evening and correspondence instruction for workers by, among other things, giving liberal free time off for exam studying and thesis writing. In this area, as in the others cited, the U.S. can learn how government spending, prodding and planning helps meet indicated manpower shortages.

^{* &}quot;The Training, Placement and Utilization of Engineers and Technicians in the Soviet Union." Engineers Joint Council, 29 W. 39th St., New York 18. \$1.

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PROFESSIONAL ENGINEERS STAND TALL ON PAY SCALE

Study shows license advantage is best at upper reaches of engineers' salary scale.

In the fifth biennial survey of its members' salaries and fees,* National Society of Professional Engineers has provided a profile of the licensed engineer's pay standing in 1960. Since, once more, the survey year coincides with that of the Engineers Joint Council study of all engineers' pay (Chem. Eng., Mar. 20, p. 172), it's instructive to compare the two (above).

The two studies aren't strictly comparable. In the EJC study, for example, employers report the salary data. In NSPE's study, the individual engineer fills out the questionnaire. Though some cynics hold that the latter technique leads to inflated figures, the survey results don't bear that out. Figures for NSPE members aren't greatly different from those of EJC for younger ages and lower parts of the pay scale where such exaggeration would most likely occur.

Another difference in the studies is the way that the over-all figures are further broken down. While EJC groups according to industry segments (chemical, petroleum, railroads, etc.), NSPE uses engineering branch.

Outstanding point that emerges upon studying the two surveys is that the professional engineering license means extra dollars at the higher parts of the pay scale, no matter what the year of entry into the profession. This holds whether comparing EJC's "all activities, all graduates" category or, as we have here, comparing EJC's "all industries, all graduates" category with the NSPE data.

In the comparison above, however, the differential reverses itself at median and lower levels. The EJC figures then lead in almost all years of entry.

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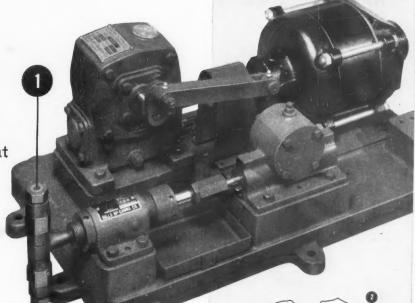
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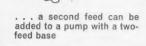
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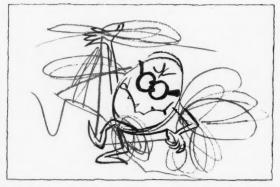


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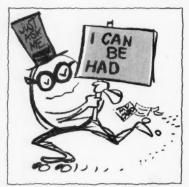
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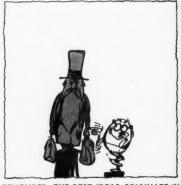
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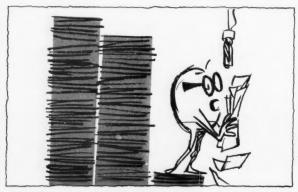
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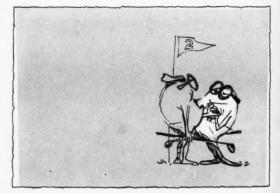
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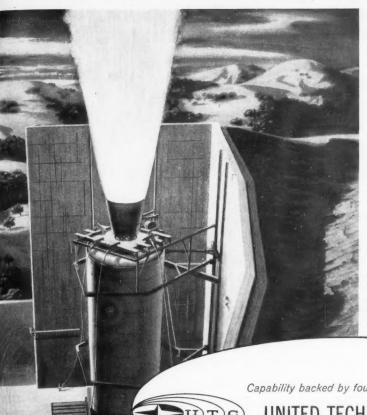


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The CPI Looks at Equipment Leasing

- Does leasing have much to offer the chemical process industries?
- What type of chemical equipment can be leased?
- How much leasing is the CPI doing, and what is the trend?

HERBERT POPPER, Assistant Editor

"Sure our business has been increasing by 50% a year," M. Silverman, president of National Equipment Rental, Ltd., told the author, "but just like they say the best songs on Broadway haven't been composed or sung yet, so we feel that the best lease contracts haven't been written yet. But they will be." This optimism is echoed by many executives of leasing companies.

Actually equipment leasing as a technique, is quite old. (One of the earliest cases on record occurred in New York State back in 1845, when Schuylkill Navigation Co. bought transportation barges, to lease to operators.) There is also nothing new in a manufacturer like IBM offering some of its equipment for lease. Until 1952, however, no company specialized in leasing other people's equipment.

Since then, the growth of such leasing companies has been rapid, and they expect their volume to keep on zooming at an average rate of about 40% annually.

The chemical process industries were slower than some others in availing themselves of leasing services; however, at the present time, interest appears to be growing. For instance, Robert E. Sheridan, president of Nationwide Leasing Co. feels that from here on in, lease volume in the CPI will gain by 50 to 60% annually for the next five years, regardless of what happens with capital expenditures.

To find out more about this trend, we interviewed

many chemical equipment lessees and lessors. While some were more enthusiastic than others, most felt that there were good reasons why leasing would become considerably more popular in the CPI. Later on, we'll take a look at some of their reasons (and reservations).

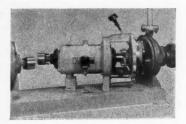
This article will concentrate on leasing rather than rentals, on equipment rather than vehicles. (Leasing usually implies a term of three years or longer; rentals are for shorter periods.) We will emphasize phases and developments of particular interest to the CPI. For a more basic discussion of leasing, we suggest "Sale-Leasebacks and Leasing," by H. Greenfield and F. Griesinger, McGraw-Hill, 1958.

How Much Equipment Was Leased in 1960?

Unimpeachable statistics are hard to come by. The breakdown below is a result of surveys made for Nationwide Leasing Co., and Wheels, Inc. It gives value of new leases written in 1960.

	Millions
Auto & truck fleets	
Leased by the CPI	\$228
Leased by other industries	\$1,310
Production, research & office equipment	
Leased by the CPI	\$132
Leased by other industries	\$398
Total	\$2,068

Some fundamentals of centrifugal pump design for the chemical process industries



The primary pump problems in the chemical industry involve materials of construction, gland and seal leakage, and bearing failure. Unless pumps are specifically designed for chemical service, unless materials of construction are selected to handle specific corrosive conditions, unless maintenance is simple and parts standardization is high your pumps may be the biggest headache in your entire operation.

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Industrial chemicals	\$28.9
Drugs	\$15.4
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Paper	\$19.3
Rubber	\$ 9.2
Ceramics & glass	\$ 8.5
Petroleum	\$38.7
Plastics	\$ 5.2

Who Leases What to the CPI

This section will discuss some firms that are active in the leasing of production equipment to the CPI; of course, these companies do not necessarily form a complete or approved list.

Many manufacturers have taken their cue from both fork truck and data-processing concerns, and now give customers the choice of leasing or buying equipment. In many cases, the leasing is done through a company subsidiary. For instance, Trinock, Inc., a recently formed subsidiary of the Emil Greiner Co. in New York, offers leases on Greiner's line of laboratory equipment and instruments. General Electric also has a leasing subsidiary.

A variation of this type of arrangement is where the manufacturer has contracted with a particular leasing company to act as leasing agent. For instance, Boiler Engineering and Supply Company, Phoenixville, Pa., offers its line of Continental package boilers for lease through Nationwide Leasing.

Several other leasing companies have similar arrangements with various manufacturers. Of course, this is only one activity of leasing companies—much of their business consists of leasing out equipment purchased from suppliers chosen by their customers.

Leasing companies have been growing very rapidly. In the equipment field (as distinguished from auto

or truck leasing) the two biggest companies in terms of annual volume are U.S. Leasing Corp., in San Francisco, and Nationwide Leasing in Chicago. Boothe Leasing Corp., San Francisco, and National Equipment Rental, New York, probably come next.

All of these are active in the CPI. Nationwide's long-term leasing plan is doing well; the company has been growing considerably faster than the 40% industry average. In addition to equipment mentioned elsewhere, Nationwide has out on lease such items as gas-fired dryers, Banbury mixers for plastics, and vacuum pumps.

Boothe Leasing was recently able to obtain a 6%, \$10 million loan, which should enable it to continue its good growth. Boothe is considering leasing complete small refineries and chemical plants both here and abroad, and states that several large companies have shown interest in leasing, rather than buying, such plants in Europe.

National Equipment Rental has made up leases for filling and packaging equipment, stainless steel drums and containers, extrusion and blow-molding equipment, power conveyors, stainless steel piping, and complete sprinkler systems. It does a big business in molds for the plastic fabricating industry.

Process Leasing, Inc., New York, is one company specializing in leasing to the chemical and petroleum industries. In addition to individual process equipment, it stands ready to erect, lease and maintain entire small plants for customers.

Equilease Corp., N. Y., (a subsidiary of Electric Auto-Lite) is active in oil and gas production machinery and petrochemical equipment. One of its leases covers a \$2-million off-shore drilling rig for use off Trinidad. The lessees are Texaco, Shell and British Petroleum.

Ionelco, Inc., Houston, is a new company that also specializes in leasing to the petrochemical and petroleum industries. It feels that long-term leasing is just now coming to the fore as a widespread across-the-board development in petroleum.

Langner Leasing Corp., Long Island City, N. Y., was set up a few months ago to specialize in leasing equipment in the \$10,000-\$100,000 range. Initial commitments include color photography processing machinery and electronic equipment.

In the past few years, companies whose main activities lie in other financing fields—notably Beneficial Finance Co., Commercial Credit Co., Standard Finance Corp., C.I.T. Corp., and James Talclott, Inc.—have established leasing subsidiaries. They can thus offer their customers a wide choice of financing.

Since 51 local and regional leasing firms have sprung up in the last two years, the field is getting pretty crowded. It would be naive to assume that all of these companies will become giants—the handful of larger companies are at quite an advantage when it comes to obtaining low-cost funds for expansion. However, this rush to get into the leasing field does give some indication of the promise many companies see in it. And it may also mean that competition between leasing

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Of course, not all types of companies mentioned in this section are equally aggressive about promoting equipment leasing. As is to be expected, the most active and enthusiastic leasing advocates are the companies that specialize in it, and do nothing else.

Some of the finance companies that have leasing subsidiaries are more restrained. While Commercial Credit calls the recent growth of its leasing business "phenomenal," C.I.T. Corp. has somewhat more of a wait-and-see attitude; it feels that many customers will continue to find other forms of equipment financing at least equally appealing.

As for equipment manufacturers, their opinions also vary. Some are enthusiastic and, as discussed previously, have set up special plans for the lease of their equipment. Others use leasing more as a sales tool, hoping that the customer will eventually buy the equipment and thereby turn the lease into a sale.

Some manufacturers, though prepared to lease out equipment, haven't set up a formal leasing plan because they feel that so far there has not been sufficient interest. Worthington Corp., for instance, states that while it has written out a small number of leases in the last few years, the demand for these on pumps and compressors is very small compared with that for other forms of financing.

Looking at the chemical equipment field as a whole, nobody expects leasing to overshadow purchasing, at least just yet. But it may become considerably more popular, and are now ready to look at some of the reasons for this.

Shortage of Working Capital

Working capital is none too plentiful in the CPI. The rapid expansion in production, research and distribution facilities that has taken place in the last 15 years has not been entirely financed from earnings. As a result, only relatively few companies find themselves either long on idle cash, or able to finance a large new expansion program entirely from internally generated funds. Hence, one or more of the following alternatives usually has to be considered, unless the equipment is leased.

Long-Term Debt Financing—This relatively cheap method is usually available only to the larger companies, and even then may not be sufficient to cover the entire cost of the program. The chances are that such financing will continue to be in tight supply.

Equity Financing—Selling more stock or taking in more partners dilutes ownership and is, therefore, not too popular except in very large programs.

Capital Build Up—Waiting till capital builds up means that the equipment may cost more, or a competitor may have jumped the gun. For instance, a small bleach manufacturer was able to increase his sales 35% recently by leasing plastic filling equipment at a time when his competitors were still packaging bleach in glass. Had he waited until he had enough capital to buy the equipment, he would have

lost this initial advantage. As for replacement programs, waiting obviously postpones the savings from the more efficient equipment.

Unsecured Loans—Bank loans usually have to bear a strict relationship to a company's net worth. It is a characteristic of many expanding companies that net worth has increased much more slowly than sales and production. Furthermore, banks prefer to keep loans on a short-term basis for many customers. All this puts unsecured bank credit at something of a premium, so that it often has to be used exclusively for seasonal and short-term needs, rather than for equipment financing.

Secured Loans—Neither equipment loans or conditional sales contracts involve 100% financing—the down payment is usually about 25%. The effective interest rate may be quite high, except for some conditional sales contracts that are subsidized by the manufacturer. Compared with leasing, the relative attractiveness of these plans may depend somewhat on individual circumstances. Leasing, although involving larger dollar outlays, may be the better choice in many cases. This is discussed in some detail in the booklet "The Pros and Cons of Leasing," available from The Foundation for Management Research, 121 West Adams St., Chicago.

A growing company that is none too long on working capital may favor leasing because it improves the appearance of the balance sheet. This is particularly important to companies that, through long-term loans or various credit agreements, are required to maintain certain net working capital positions. Fixed assets can't be purchased without either reducing the cash balance or increasing the liabilities. If the same fixed assets are leased, the balance sheet remains relatively unaffected, and at most will carry a footnote to the effect that the company is obligated under lease contracts for X dollars of fixed charges a year.

Perhaps it's not completely logical, but a company that leases some of its equipment and is thereby able to show a good current asset position will usually have an easier time getting funds for expansion than one that has most of its capital tied up in equipment. OX

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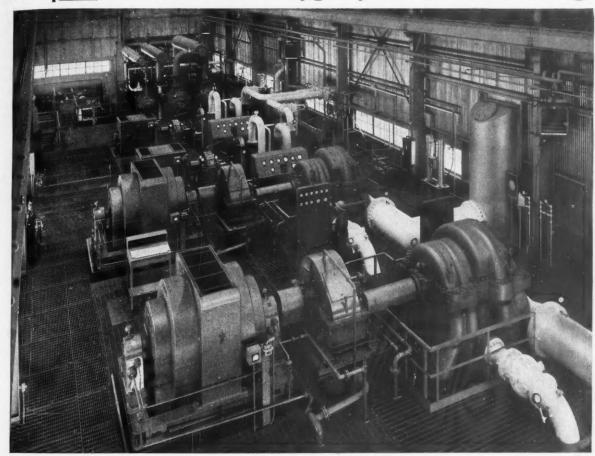
Obsolescence and Replacement

Most CPI equipment leased so far has been for expansion purposes, not for replacement. Much of it will eventually be replaced by more leased equipment, according to several lessees who have been queried on this point. Says Paul A. Duane, president of Holiday Chemical Co., Newburn, Pa., "I have a modern, model plant through leasing. The monthly leasing costs are small and can easily be met. The fees are about equal to those on borrowing. I would never buy another piece of equipment outright, nor would I finance it." Holiday Chemical leases all the equipment for an autobatch liquid fertilizer plant from Nationwide.

While there were variations in degree of enthusiasm, a sampling of some companies that are presently leasing equipment from major concerns in the field

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indicated that most lessees seemed happy with their arrangement, and were inclined to do more leasing when the time came.

Simultaneously, more CPI companies are turning to leasing for certain types of obsolescence-prone equipment. They feel that with leasing, there is less temptation to keep the equipment once it is outdated, that depreciation is put on a more realistic schedule and that the newest equipment can be obtained once it has become available. Much packaging, filling and plastic molding machinery is leased for this reason.

Intricacy and Cost of New Equipment

Equipment is becoming more intricate and expensive, which often makes leasing attractive, at least as a supplemental step.

The leasing of data-processing equipment is, of course, an old story—of more recent vintage are leasing plans for other types of electronic instrumentation.

For instance, Technical Leasing Co., San Diego, Calif. was organized this year to specialize in this field. It offers CPI companies leases on mass spectrometers, leak detectors, chromatographs, refractometers, oscillographs and various data-processing equipment.

Another example was mentioned in \widetilde{CE} recently—Dresser Electronics in Houston is making mobile datalogging equipment available on a lease or rental basis. This means that process information that can only be gathered by logging equipment can be obtained without investing the \$50-125,000 that a mobile unit would cost.

Tax Considerations

If one avoids certain pitfalls, a well-planned CPI equipment lease can put depreciation on a more realistic basis; however, it is largely a question of tax postponement rather than outright tax savings. Nevertheless, the postponement can come in very handy, especially when startup expenses, market development and other expansion costs have to be met.

As for depreciation, the CPI is still laboring under the archaic Schedule F, which ascribes a useful life of from 15 to 30 years for much chemical equipment. A distillation tower for instance, is ascribed a 15-year life. If its life, considering hard wear and obsolescence, is actually closer to six years, then obtaining it on a five-year lease with a one-year renewal obtains fairer tax treatment than would ownership.

Since the lease represents a pretax expense, all costs would be written off after five years. Under ownership, no more than 52% could be written off during the first five years. If the straight-line method were used, instead of the more helpful Double-Declining Balance or Sum-of-the-Digits, only 30% would be written off by that time.

In order to obtain this tax treatment, the lease should avoid the following:

 A term so short that the payments materially exceed fair rental value. A purchase or renewal option that bears no relation to fair value. (Most large leases do not contain purchase options. If an option is necessary, it is negotiated when the lease expires, the reputation of the lessor acting as substitute for details spelled out in advance.)

• A clause that breaks down the lease payments into interest or equity accumulation.

From the above, it can be seen that to avoid tax controversies the best lease is not one with only nominal renewal or purchase option costs, but one where such costs at least approximate realistic values, with a corresponding decrease in costs during the intial term of the lease.

More Plans Available

Both manufacturers and leasing companies now have a large number of plans, and in many cases they will tailor-make one to suit the lessee's special requirements. Recently announced were three widely contrasting items:

1. A plan for renting heavy water was disclosed by Bio-Rad Laboratories, Richmond, Calif. The D₂O can be obtained for periods of three months to two years. The charge is based on the length of time the water has been kept and the amount of dilution it has undergone. Returned water is checked for tritium contamination and is then returned to the process stream for re-enrichment to 99.8%. Plans are being considered for similar programs covering other stable isotopes, including nitrogen-15 and carbon-13. (This sort of arrangement is considered a rental rather than a lease; we included it as a matter of interest.)

2. An extra-long-term lease plan primarily for chemical companies was announced last winter by Nationwide Leasing. To keep costs low, it was limited to companies with a net worth of at least \$1 million and with a five-year record of profitable operations. These companies could obtain leases for equipment costing \$25,000 or more for six to twelve-year terms. Most other equipment leases run from three to five years.

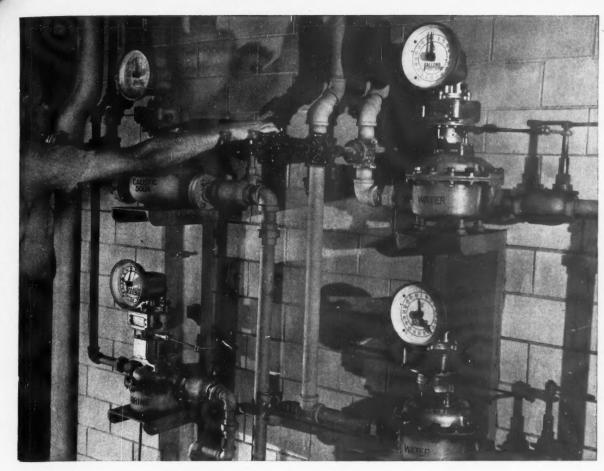
3. Perkin-Elmer Corp. came up with a specific leasing program of its own last year whereby its spectrophotometers and gas chromatography instruments could be leased for three-year terms (with renewal options) through Horton Equipment Leasing. A one-year free service warranty is included in the plan.

Growth of Sale Leasebacks

Many CPI companies that have expanded very rapidly—faster than their working capital—may find themselves equipment rich but dollar poor. Insuch cases, the company may want to sell part of its old equipment to a leasing company, then immediately lease it back for a stated number of years. Thus, the lessor retains use of its equipment but generates working capital for other phases of operations.

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concern, predicts an increasing number of these arrangements. Its president feels that since this new plan permits companies to sell fully or partially depreciated equipment at greater than book value, the plan will be financially attractive even to larger firms.

Other Reasons That Apply to the CPI

If a big corporation finds that a surprise development requires expenditures for which no allowance has been made in the budget, leasing is often considered as an alternative to getting approval to exceed the budget.

The president of Boothe Leasing cited a good example that involves red-tape cutting, as well as some other factors. A major oil company estimated that if it acquired two package boiler units at a total cost of \$500,000, it could save \$100,000 a year before taxes. However, this company like many others required capital equipment to pay for itself in four years, which means that a pretax saving of \$250,000 would have been necessary to obtain routine approval for their purchase. Instead of trying to get a special ruling, which probably would have been negative, the company found it could justify the boilers by obtaining them on a ten-year lease, with an annual cost of \$70,000. This saved \$30,000 a year without tying up any capital.

Emphasis Shift—Leasing companies borrow funds to acquire equipment to be leased. Institutions that supply some of these funds sometimes insist that the equipment purchased with these funds be readily repossessable in the event of default. Much chemical equipment is closely integrated with plant real estate and hence does not fall into this category. For this reason, many leasing companies at first were slow to train their guns on the CPI.

However, this trend is changing. Most leasing companies, and the institutions that supply them with funds, now place more emphasis on the credit rating of the lessee than on the nature of the equipment. This means that almost any type of chemical equipment—including custom designs and installations—can be leased from some company or other, if the lessee represents a reasonable credit risk.

Service Leases—Under a service lease, the lessor does the servicing. This form of leasing has been gaining in popularity, particularly where items such as electronic equipment and fork trucks are concerned. Monsanto, for instance, gives its plant managers the choice of either purchasing fork trucks or operating them under service leases.

Government Work—Equipment is often not fully depreciated when work on a government contract is finished. This can be expensive unless the equipment can be put to other use. Hence, leasing is often favored (the government considers equipment leasing a legitimate expense on cost-plus contracts).

Nationwide Leasing has come up with a special plan for CPI companies doing research and development work for the government. Applying to both standard and custom-built equipment, the plan features a cancellation clause, and enables the lessees to tailor payments and the length of the lease to their contracts.

Will There Be a Leasing Stampede?

Now that we have discussed the main reasons the CPI can be expected to step up equipment leasing, let us explain why we don't think it will be a real stampede. There are a number of tempering factors.

Many companies can pay for new expansion and replacement programs by using some combination of internally generated funds and long-term loans. They can thus avoid the higher financing costs inherent in leasing.

There is a possibility that Congress may liberalize depreciation schedules, or that some tax incentive may be given to capital expansion. This may reduce the tax-postponement advantages of leasing. Some companies feel cautious about these advantages anyway, because the Internal Revenue Service has issued few hard and fast rules. (Most leasing companies no longer stress these advantages as much as they used to.) As for the tax incentive that was proposed this year, its effect on the relative attractiveness of leasing is unclear. If leasing companies themselves qualify for the exemption, it might stimulate leasing as well as purchasing.

Some companies are annoyed by the fact that unless you use a purchase option, you never really own the equipment and don't benefit from its scrap value. Actually, the scrap or renewal value is taken into account when the cost of the lease is computed; in fact, most leasing companies make little or no profit on the lease until the point of renewal or scrapping is reached.

Some companies like to own all productive assets as a mattle of principle, and to prevent the possibility of over-extension. In connection with the latter, it should be pointed out that a company about to over-extend itself would have difficulty getting a standard lease, particularly for chemical equipment.

Some companies find other methods of equipment financing more advantageous. After comparing the best available lease plan with the best other means of financing, some decide in favor of leasing, some in favor of buying, depending on such factors as availability and individual rate of return on working capital, tax objectives, and factors previously discussed.

Hence, we don't expect CPI leasing to really skyrocket in the near future. As we stated earlier, we nevertheless expect it to grow quite a bit, probably for a number of years.

If, somewhere along the line, you decide that leasing affords advantages over other forms of financing, you will probably want to compare leases from different companies. When making this comparison, don't just compare prices—also compare suitability of the lease, advance-deposit requirements, handling of freight and installation charges, possible small-print restrictions, termination clauses, maintenance service factors, and the reputation for financial responsibility of the lessor.

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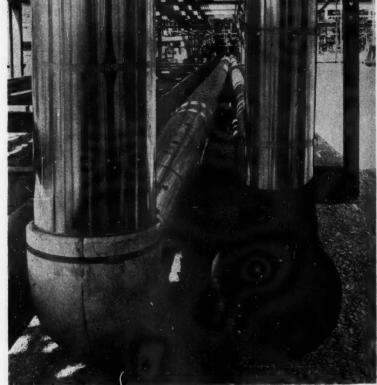
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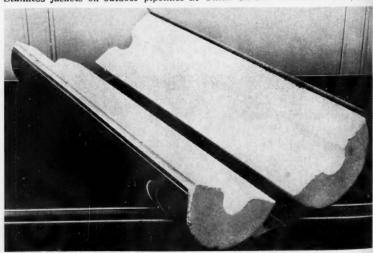
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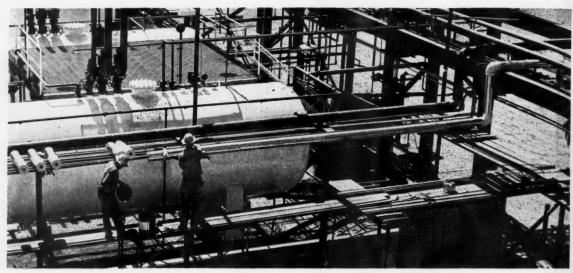
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► How Applied — The insulation and jacket are shipped from the factory in standard 36-in. lengths. The stainless steel jacket is springy enough so that the two halves of the insulation can be opened up and slipped over the pipe. The installer then engages the longitudinal seam and can then join the covered insulation to the piece next to it. A stainless steel band, backed with a nonsetting sealer, covers the gap between the two insulation sections. The band is applied to the joint after a protective paper backing is peeled off. A stainless strap around the band holds it permanently in place.

► Stainless Sheet—Stainless sheet, having a thickness of 0.01 in. has been found satisfactory as a jacketing. It has sufficient mechanical strength to take the abuse it is likely to receive and in addition has the lowest cost on a square foot basis. Thicker sheets cost more because of the increased amount of metal they contain. Sheet thinner than 0.01 in. costs more because of increased rolling charges. If the costs of thinner stainless sheet could be brought down, an 0.008-in. thickness probably would suffice.

► Costs — The installed cost of stainless steel jacketed insulation is

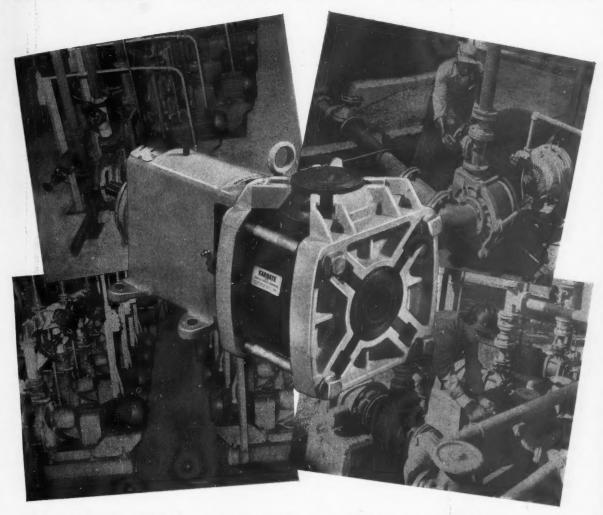
approximately 8% higher than insulation covered with field-applied fire-resistant mastic (a polyvinyl acetate mastic is most widely used). The stainless jacketed insulation is about one-third higher than insulation having a factory applied aluminum jacket.

The stainless sheet used by Johns-Manville is still a special-order item, rolled by Jones and Loughlin Steel Corp. Although J&L previously made an 0.01-in. stainless sheet, it was rolled in an 18-in. width. This was not satisfactory since pipe insulation is manufactured in standard lengths of 36 in., twice the width of the available stainless sheet.

▶ Drawbacks — Aside from its higher initial cost, the new insulation has one major drawback. It is available only for straight pipelines. Fittings (i.e., flanges, elbows, tees, etc.) or valves have to be insulated separately. This is normally done by applying a fire-resistant polyvinyl acetate mastic. The plastic is generally "palmed" on to a thickness of ⅓-in. in the final (dry) state. These plastic-covered sections may be painted in a silver color to match the rest of the pipeline.

Work is being done on the development of stainless-jacketed shaped insulation for fittings, but these are not yet commercially available.

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NUCERITE MOVES TO THE PRODUCTION LINE

Ceramic-metal composite passes field-test trials for high-temperature corrosion resistance and is now available in limited production.

Nucerite, (Pfaudler's trademarked name for ceramic-coated metals) is now available on a limited production basis. Introduced last September (see Chem. Eng., Oct. 3, 1960, p. 130) on a "laboratory development status," field evaluation tests have shown that Nucerite will withstand high-temperature corrosive environments that would destroy most metals after only a brief exposure.

Nucerite is the name given to a whole family of ceramic-metal composites. These consist of a ceramic structure (characterized by a large number of very small crystals) physically and chemically bonded to a structural substrate metal. Compared with corrosion-resistant ceramic materials that might be used in similar applications, Nucerite has better mechanical strength, thermal shock resistance, heat conductance and high-temperature stability. Better abrasion and erosion resistance are also claimed.

▶In Limited Production—According to Pfaudler, the change to "limited production" status means that orders will be accepted for production equipment if field test or lab data show its suitability for a particular application.

Samples for testing are available from Pfaudler, at a nominal cost.

The ceramic component of Nucerite can be applied to equipment that has a simple shape, uniform cross-section and no sharp corners.

A number of different formulations of ceramic are used in making Nucerite; these are chosen on the basis of the metal to be coated and



Inspector with high-voltage tester checks integrity of ceramic coating.

the proposed use of the finished product.

As a general rule, carbon steel can be used as the substrate metal at temperatures from 450 to 700 F. From 750 to 1,500 F., stainless steels, Inconel or one of the refractory metals is required, owing to the low strength of carbon steel at elevated temperatures.

▶ Progress Report—Pfaudler has issued a progress report based on the field-testing of over a hundred samples. High-temperature corrosion resistance (between 500 and 1,500 F.) holds the greatest promise for CPI use—even though impact, erosion and abrasion resistance will continue to be of major importance in specific applications. The field tests have pointed up the fact that Nucerite will withstand environments that will destroy most metals after only brief exposure.

► Test Results—Although many of the tests cannot be reported owing to secrecy agreements, the following examples show some of the environments that Nucerite has successfully resisted:

· Metal halides at 1,202 and

1,292 F. (Inconel fails in this service in 2-3 weeks.)

• Chlorine and carbon tetrachloride mixtures at 600 F. Quarter-inch stainless steel plate would be corroded through in a matter of minutes.)

• Refractory metal chlorides at 485 F.

• Coal tar pitch at 750 F. (Thermal shock caused the failure of the solid ceramic materials previously used in this application.)

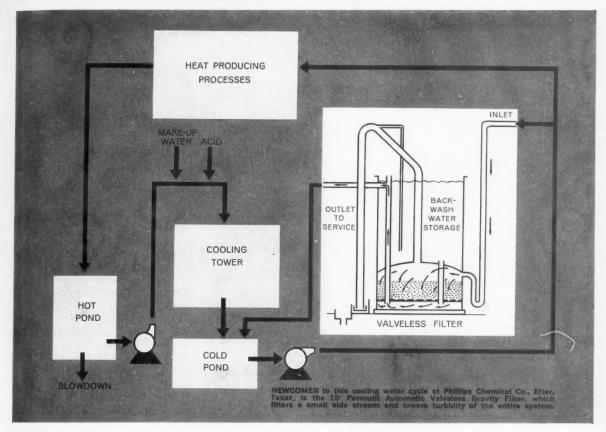
• Aqua regia plus heavy abrasive at 225 F. (Tantalum is the only metal that would stand up to this environment.)

• HCl plus solids (moving at 100 ft./sec.) at 1,112 F.

In all of the foregoing examples, the conditions were those actually used in the field tests—they do not indicate environmental limits.

▶ Orders in Production—Pfaudler has already received orders for 6-in. pipe, 2½-in. boiler tube, a 6§-in. bayonet heater (pictured above), donuts and flanges for electrical barriers in pipelines, 12-in. and 18-in.-dia. columns, finger baffles, and a 300-gal. closed-top reactor.

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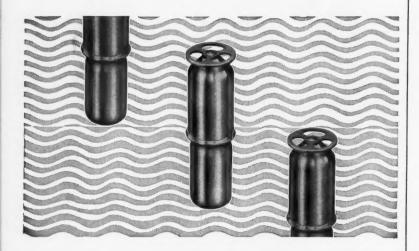
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tion, both Aclar fluorohalocarbon and Capran polyamide films are specialty products for the packaging and electronics industries.

Cerro Corp. has taken an option on 1,030 acres of Columbia River deepwater frontage at Wauna, Ore. Proposed for the site is a \$35-million, 55,000-ton/yr. primary aluminum smelter, power for which would come from the Bonneville Power Administration under the terms of a contract already signed. Total investment in the single-potline works probably comes close to \$50 million.

Morgan City and Port Allen, La., are now connected by a \$30-million canal that bypasses the outmoded Plaquemine, La., lock in the intracoastal waterway. (Port Allen is located directly across the Mississippi River from Baton Rouge, the booming petrochemical center.) Formerly, tows heading westward along the Gulf from Baton Rouge had to be broken up at Plaquemine while each barge was hauled through individually, an expensive inconvenience that had been causing more and more ships to be routed down the Mississippi to New Orleans—a 160-mi. longer distance-in order to avoid the lock. New channel meets the widened and deepened old waterway at Indian Village, La.

American Cyanamid Co. plans a 40% expansion of anhydrous ammonia capacity, a doubling of storage facilities, and additional loading facilities at Fortier, La. Construction begins shortly, with \$3 million scheduled to be spent before completion late next year.

Celanese Corp. of America has ordered a computer control system for part of its 500-million-lb./yr. acetyls complex now under construction at Bay City, Tex. Minneapolis-Honeywell Regulator Co.'s H290 digital package will monitor and control two processes: an acetaldehyde route from ethylene, licensed to Celanese by Germany's

Aldehyd GmbH., and a 2-ethyl hexanol route. The Bay City plant is due on stream in 1962.

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Humble Oil & Refining Co. is expanding its 40-million-lb./yr. polyolefin capacity at Baytown, Tex., by about 50%. Current production includes 20 grades of Escon-brand polypropylene. Expansion is scheduled for completion by November, but the firm already sees further moves to bring capacity up to 80 million lb./yr. by the second half of next year.

St. Francisville Paper Co., a joint subsidiary of Crown Zellerbach Corp. and Time Inc., plans to spend \$25 million to double capacity at its paper mill in St. Francisville, La. New rating will be 160,000 tons/yr. of coated printing papers, about half of which will go to Time Inc. for its various publications.

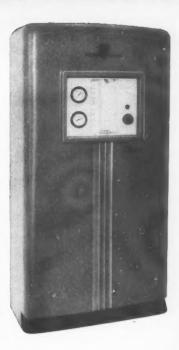
In a separate move, Crown Zellerbach is undertaking an \$8.2-million modernization and diversification program at its Bogalusa, La., pulp and paper mill. Major item will be installation of an all-purpose paper machine to produce a variety of bleached kraft specialty papers.

The Chemstrand Corp., a subsidiary of Monsanto Chemical Co., plans to hike nylon yarn capacity by 200% at Greenwood, S. C. Scheduled for completion by next May, facility complements the firm's Pensacola, Fla., nylon plant, which Chemstrand bills as the largest nylon installation in the world.

Air Products Inc. has dedicated the first of five tonnage oxygen plants to go on stream this year. Located in Granite City, Ill., the \$6-million unit turns out more than 170 tons/day of liquid and gaseous oxygen, principally for Granite City Steel Co. Byproducts of the air-separation unit are nitrogen, argon, hydrogen, helium and acetylene.

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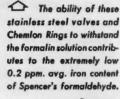
This report was made by the Spencer Chemical Co.'s Chicago Works on their Type 316 stainless steel valves handling 45% formaldehyde solutions with a pH as low as 3.5. Previous to the installation of Chemlon Molded Rings, packing life had been limited to six months. The Chemlon Rings have been in service over 1 year and continue to stand up well.

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erect a 120-ton/day nitric acid plant at Lawrence. Last year, Chemico placed on stream at the site a similar plant in the recordsetting time of six months.

Companies

Penick & Ford, Ltd., wants to acquire Morningstar-Paisley, Inc., and operate it as a division. If they approve the proposal, common shareholders of the latter firm would get 0.385 shares of Penick & Ford for each share they now

Union Oil Co. of California has bought American Liquid Gas Corp., Los Angeles. Purchase price was not disclosed. Two new Union Oil subsidiaries have been created to absorb American Liquid's operations: Algas Fuel Supply Co. and American Liquid Gas Engineering & Equipment Co.

Natural Gas Processors Assn. is the new name of Natural Gasoline Assn. of America. The organization has had five names since its founding as Assn. of Casinghead Gasoline Manufacturers, in 1921.

The United States Stoneware Co., Akron, Ohio, has purchased the Chemical Equipment Dept. of Indiana General Corp.'s General Ceramics Div. Sale includes inventories, patents, machinery and hardware used to make Indiana General's line of pumps, chemical stoneware and ceramic products.

International

Kuwait has released the following details of the sheikdom's petrochemicals project on the Persian Gulf: (1) initial annual outputs will be 31,400 tons of caustic soda, 42,000 tons of polyvinyl chloride, and 156,000 tons of urea; (2) Kuwait Petrochemicals Co., Ltd., cap-

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italized at \$45 million, has been created by Italy's Oronzio de Nora, in consort with the sheikdom and a handful of minority private interests, to back the complex; (3) newly independent Kuwait had originally solicited participation in the project from several American and British companies, but were turned down "for reasons we do not know," says Ahmed el-Sayed Omar, deputy director of Kuwait's Finance Dept.

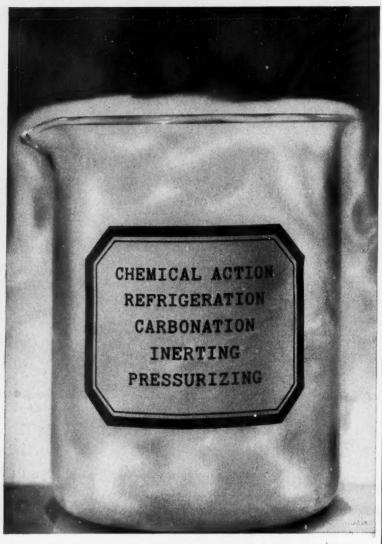
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Great Britain: Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd. has licensed routes to caprolactam and nylon-6 from Emser Werke A.G./Inventa A.G. in Switzerland. Construction of a 15,000-ton/yr. caprolactam plant and companion large-scale nylon unit will begin shortly at ICI's Severnside. England, site.

Canada: Canadian Oil Companies Ltd. has brought the country's first Hydeal unit on stream at Sarnia, Ont. The installation turns out 350 bbl./day of benzene from toluene, doubling the firm's previous 3.5-million-gal./yr. benzene capacity at the site. It was built by Procon (Canada) Ltd., a subsidiary of Universal Oil Products Co.

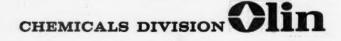
Spain: Instituto Nacional de Industria (INI), state-owned holding company, plans a petrochemical complex at its shale-oil refinery in Calvo Sotelo, Puertollano. An additional 22,000-bbl./day crude-oil refinery is planned to feed the 275,000-ton/yr. petrochemical facility, products of which have not been disclosed. Also on the drawing boards is a 50,000-bbl./day, Malagato-Puertollano crude pipeline.

Belgium: Centre d'Etude de l'Energie Nucleaire (CEN), owner-operator of the 50-mw. water-cooled nuclear reactor at Mol, reports that the unit has gone critical. United Nuclear Corp., New York, designed and built the \$20-million BR-2 reactor. Euratom (European Atomic Energy Community) will share in the \$2.5-million annual costs of operating the installation, which boosts the free world's nuclear materials and

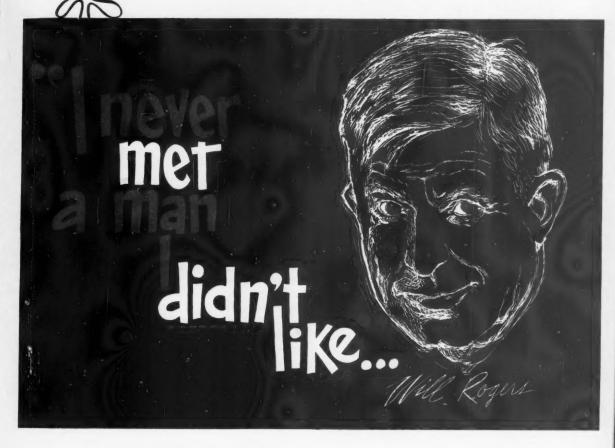


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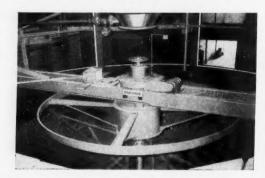
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Canada: Gypsum, Lime & Alabastine Ltd., a subsidiary of Dominion Tar & Chemical Co., plans a \$2-million expansion of its lime plant at Joliette, Que. New rotary kiln, stone crushing and screening units will increase capacity by 200 tons, to 1 million tons daily.

Sweden's atomic energy commission, Atomenergi A/B, has begun initial studies to determine the feasibility of building a 250-mw. nuclear power plant. Study will take eight months, is being made by A. Johnson Co., Stockholm; Bechtel Corp., San Francisco; and Westinghouse Electric International Co., Pittsburgh.

Portugal: Sociedade Anonima Concessionaria de Refinacao de Petroleos em Portugal (SACOR), state-held refining concession, plans a 20,000-bbl./day refinery at Oporto. Due on stream in 1963, installation will be the country's second refinery (the other is at Cabo Ruivo, near Lisbon, capacity for which is currently being stepped up from 26,000 to 30,000 bbl./day).

Israel's state-owned Negev Phosphates Co. is embarking on a \$20-million expansion project, only 50% of which it will own (a group of undisclosed foreign chemicals firms controlling the balance). Program calls for construction (tentatively at Oron) of calcination and byproduct plants, to make 200,000 tons of calcinated phosphates, 60,000 tons of soda ash, 140,000 tons of phosphate-concentrate fertilizers, and 100,000 tons of triple superphosphate annually. About 70% of the output will be exported.

Australia: Alcoa of Australia (Pty.) Ltd. has been created by Aluminum Co. of America and a group of undisclosed Australian firms, to establish and operate a \$100-million aluminum project at several sites on the continent. Due to begin operations in the

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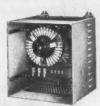
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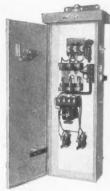
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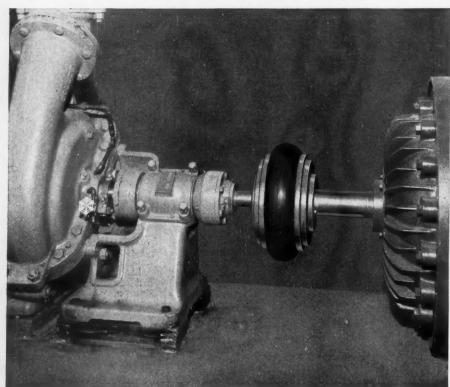
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West Germany: Esso A.G., Hamburg, plans a \$45-million refinery near Ingolstadt. The 40,000-bbl./ day installation is the third announced for the area (others are planned by Suedpetrol A.G., an offshoot of Italy's state-owned ENI, and Deutsche Shell A.G.). Suedpetrol's facility is due on stream in the middle of 1963, about half a year ahead of the other two.

Canada: Aluminum Co. of Canada, Ltd., a subsidiary of Aluminium Ltd., plans to double its capacity for rolled aluminum sheet by constructing an \$11-million, 30,000ton/yr. mill at Kingston, Ont. Facility is due on stream by the end of next year.

Sweden: Svenska Metallverken A/B has acquired full ownership of Svenska Aluminiumkompaniet A/B from Aluminium Ltd. in Canada. Delicate deal involves a \$7-million cash payment by Svenska Metallverken to Aluminium Ltd., in return for which the Canadian firm surrenders its half interest in Svenska Aluminiumkompaniet but acquires a "larger interest" in Svenska Metallverken, the parent firm (in which Aluminium Ltd. is already a substantial shareholder). Largest aluminum fabricator in Sweden, Svenska Metallverken captively processes all 16,500 tons/yr. of metal that Svenska Aluminiumkompaniet smelts. Aluminium Ltd. will continue to supply the alumina raw material.

Great Britain: Air Products, Inc., Allentown, Pa., has paid \$2.5 million to acquire 100% interest in its British subsidiary, Air Products Ltd., from Butterley Co., London. Air Products Ltd. is headquartered in Ripley, Derbyshire; makes cryogenic hardware at Acrefair in northern Wales.

Japan: Mitsui Chemical Industry, Toyo Koatsu, and General Bussan have grouped together in an apparently loose affiliation to "collectively manufacture oils and chemical products." The petrochemical scheme follows the lead of the Idemitsu Kosan linkage, which saw Toyo Rayon and Toa Gosei joined with Idemitsu Kosan, largest independent oil refiner in the country. General Bussan is said to be planning a 100,000-bbl./ day refinery on the Nagoya waterfront, to supply 100,000 tons of ethylene, 30,000 tons of propylene, and 15,000 tons of acetylene annually to Mitsui Chemical and Toyo Koatsu. Mitsui is reported to be mapping out a sprawling synthetics project, at which would be produced raw materials for Tetoron fiber, polypropylene and other resins. Toyo Koatsu recently placed a polyurea fiber unit on stream at Hokkaido.

Japan: A joint subsidiary, as yet unnamed, has been created by Yoshitomi Pharmaceutical Industries, Ltd., Osaka, and Wallace & Tiernan Inc.'s Lucidol Div., Buffalo, N. Y. New firm will make Lucidol's catalysts for high-pressure polyethylene. Release of site, capacity and cost information await approval of MITI, Japan's industrial regulatory agency.

Poland: An 185-mi, pipeline will be built to carry sulfur-free Soviet gas from Daszawy, near Lvov in the Ukraine, to Poland's projected petrochemical complex at Pulav, Lublin Province (Chem. Eng., Nov. 14, 1960, p. 268). Facilities will make acetylene to feed an 80,000-ton/yr. polyvinyl chloride unit, a 15,000-ton/yr, installation for synthetic fiber intermediates, and a 500,000-ton/yr. nitrogenous fertilizer plant. First stage is slated to go on stream by early 1966, second by 1967.

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Kahl, near Frankfurt. The boilingwater reactor was built by General Electric for Bayernwerk A.G. and Rheinisch- Westfaelisches Elektrizitatswerk, two of West Germany's largest utility companies. The 15mw. station will be used for both power generation and research.

Japan: Nihon Gas Kagaku Kogyo K.K. has signed Chemical Construction Corp. to redesign a urea plant at Niigata. Chemico's totalrecycle carbamate process will boost capacity from 80 to 150 metric tons/day.

People

Robert P. Barnett, Robert J. Reilly, Walter H. C. Rueggeberg and W. Spencer Thompson have been elected vice presidents of Atlas Chemical Industries, Inc. Rueggeberg continues as director of research and development.

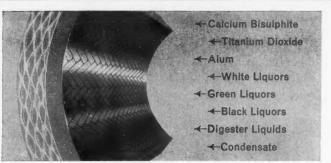
William B. Humes has been appointed president of Union Carbide Plastics Co., replacing the late R. K. Turner, who passed away suddenly at his home less than a month after being promoted to a vice presidency with the parent firm, Union Carbide Corp.

Piero Giustiniani, managing director of Italy's Montecatini, has been elected a director of Minerals & Chemicals Philipp Corp. The news followed an announcement that Montecatini and its associates had privately purchased "an important holding" of M&CP's shares.

Donald E. Hudgin has been appointed director of research for polymers at Diamond Alkali Co.

John S. Atwood has been named assistant to the vice president of Koppers Co.'s Plastics Div.

Clifford E. Weber is the new director of fuels and materials for Atomics International, a division of North American Aviation, Inc.



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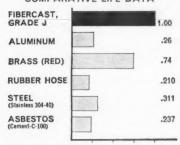
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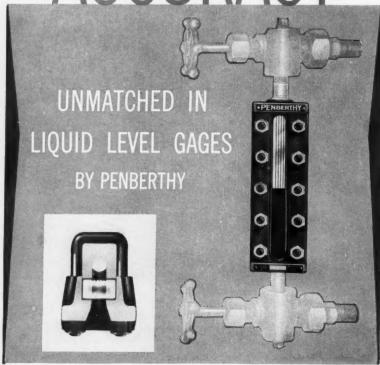
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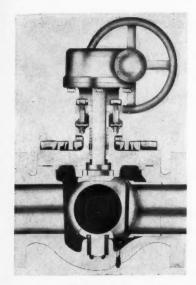


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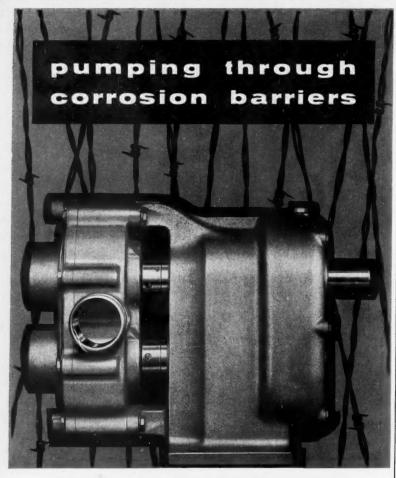
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- 6-8. Assn. for Computing Machinery, Annual Meeting, Statler-Hilton Hotel, Los Angeles, Calif.
- 6-8. Massachusetts Institute of Technology, International Symposium on Transmission and Processing of Information, Cambridge, Mass.
- 7-8. The Combustion Institute, Western States Section, Fall Meeting, University of California, Berkeley, Calif.
- 11-15. Instrument Society of America, 16th Annual Instrument, Automation Conference & Exhibit, Biltmore Hotel and Memorial Sports Arena. Los Angeles, Calif.
- 11-15. National Industrial Conference Board, Stanford Research Institute, International Industrial Conference, Fairmont Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.
- 12-15. Pennsylvania State University, Seminar for Manufacturing Engineers, University Park, Penna.
- 14-15. American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Institute of Engineers, Electrical Engineering Management Conference, Hotel Roosevelt, New York, N. Y.
- 17-22. Pennsylvania State University, Work Measurement Course, University Park, Penna.
- 18-20. Canadian Agricultural Chemicals Assn., 9th Annual Meeting and Conference, Mont Tremblant Lodge, Mont Tremblant, Que.
- 18-20. Standards Engineers Society, Annual Meeting, Hotel Sherman, Chicago, Ill.
- 22-1. 1st International Plastics Fair of Denmark, Forum, Copenhagen, Denmark.
- 24-27. American Institute of Chemical Engineers, National Meeting, Lake Placid, N. Y.
- 24-27. American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Petroleum Mechanical Engineering Conference, Muehlebach Hotel, Kansas City, Mo.
- 24-27. American Institute of Electrical Engineers, American Society of Mechanical Engineers, National Power Conference, St. Francis Hotel, San Francisco, Calif.

25-28. American Welding Society, Fall Meeting, Adolphus Hotel, Dallas, Tex.

25-28. Industrial Building Exposition & Congress, New York Coliseum, New York, N. Y.

28-29. American Production and Inventory Control Society, 4th Annual National Conference and Technical Exhibit, Pick-Congress Hotel, Chicago, Ill.

28-30. American Society for Quality Control, Chemical Div., 5th Annual Chemical Conference, Daniel Boone Hotel, Charleston, W. Va.

October

2-3. Engineers Council for Professional Development, 29th Annual Meeting, Sheraton Seelbach Hotel, Louisville, Ky.

2-7. International Astronautical Federation, 12th International Astronautical Congress, Washington, D. C.

4-6. American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Process Industries Conference, Shamrock-Hilton Hotel, Houston, Tex.

5-7. American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers, 24th Annual Joint Solid Fuels Conference, Dinkler-Tutwiler Hotel, Birmingham, Ala.

6-7. American Society for Engineering Education, Annual North Midwest Meeting, Michigan College of Mining and Technology, Houghton, Mich.

8-11. American Institute of Mining, Metallurgical and Petroleum Engineers, Society of Petroleum Engineers, Fall Meeting, Dallas, Tex.

8-12. Water Pollution Control Federtion, Milwaukee Auditorium and Schroeder Hotel, Milwaukee, Wisc.

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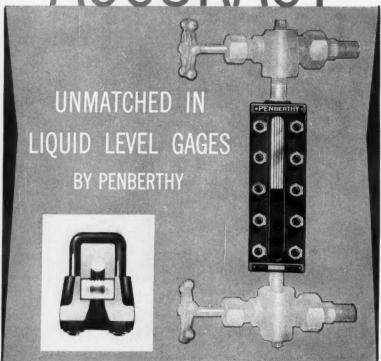
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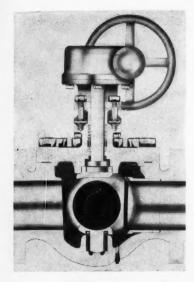
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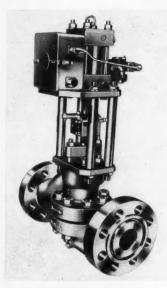
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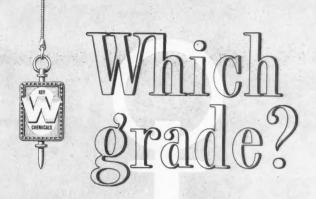
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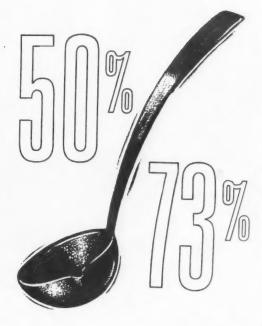
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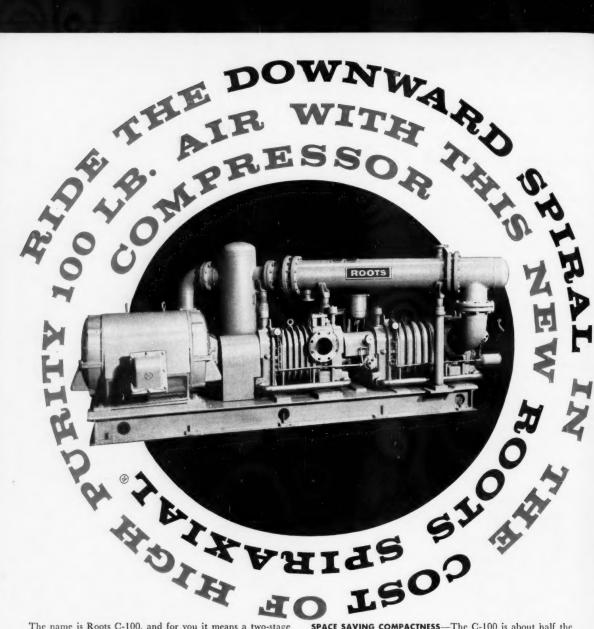
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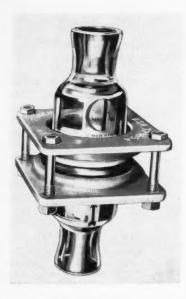


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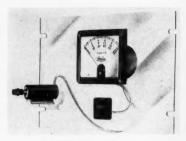
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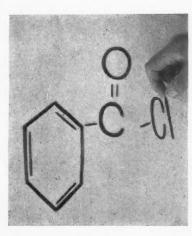
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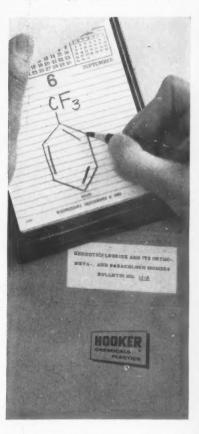
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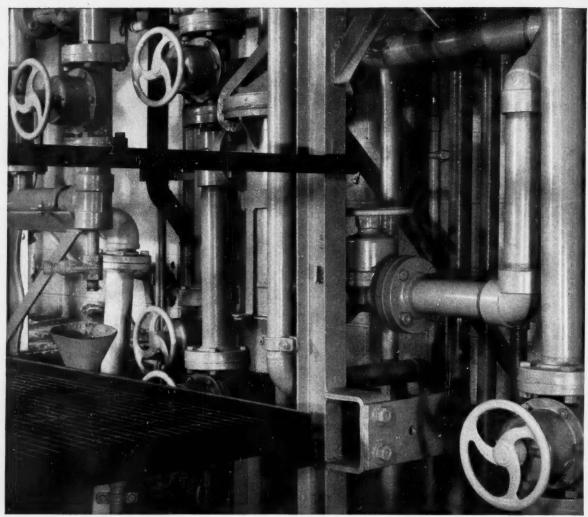
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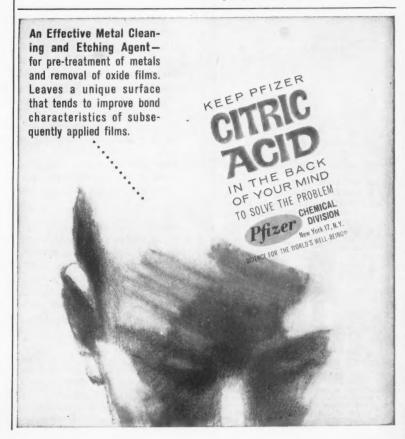
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Process Industries

Cement mfg					0		231.3	230.9
Chemical							238.0	237.3
Clay products		٠					224.8	224.4
Glass mfg				٠	٠		224.7	224.0
Paint mfg							229.7	229.4
Paper mfg		٠					229.3	228.6
Petroleum ind.				٠			234.7	234.8
Rubber ind						٠	237.6	237.6
Process ind. avg							235.9	235.2

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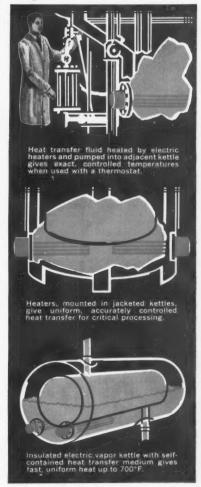
Elec. Power equip	237.9	235.1
Mining, milling	239.4	238.7
Refrigerating	268.5	268.6
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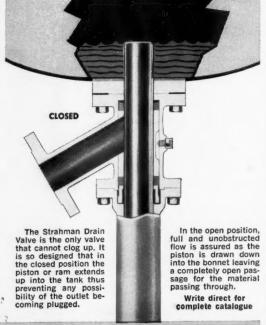
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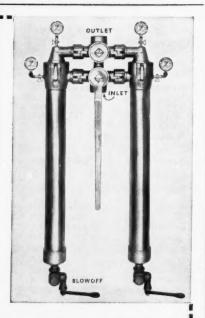
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Reviewed by M. Boudart, Associate Professor of Chemical Engineering, Princeton University.

This is caviar: it is expensive and should be treated only as an appetizer. The articles form a representative selection, by Prof. Thomas J. Gray of Alfred University, of Soviet papers on contact catalysis. The translations are generally good if we concede that no one should have a great deal of trouble in guessing that a "suspended layer" is actually a fluidized bed. The only major criticism of this undertaking is the lack of an index or some sort of cumulative table of contents.

A chemical engineer will find only a handful of papers, all in Vol. I, dealing with his traditional topics—heat and mass transfer. Yet, catalysis is a subject of immediate applied interest, and the many engineers deeply immersed in catalytic matters will find these translations very useful. So useful in fact that they might well decide to follow the Soviet literature, either in translation, with the usual delays, or in the original.

The Soviets are very active in catalysis, and many of their theoretical contributions are excellent and quite stimulating. Those of us in the field who cannot afford to learn Russian are well advised to buy these translations despite their high cost.

THEORY AND PRACTICE

TREATISE ON ANALYTICAL CHEMISTRY. PART I: THEORY AND PRACTICE. VOL. 2, PAGES 811 TO 1,308. ED. BY I. M. KOLTHOFF AND P. J. ELVING, ASSISTED BY E. B. SANDELL. INTERSCIENCE. \$16.

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Reviewed by J. M. Durham, Sterling-Winthrop Research Institute, Rensselaer, N. Y.

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Written by fourteen authors, the present eleven chapters include two on reactive groups as reagents applied to organic and inorganic systems. The remaining nine are on the principles and techniques of separations. Additional material on separations will be in the next publication.

Separations in this volume are discussed under the following chapter headings: Principles of Separations; The Phase Rule in Analytical Chemistry; Decomposition and Dissolution of Samples—Inorganic; Decomposition and Dissolution of Samples — Organic; Mechanical Methods; Diffusion Methods; Electromigration and Electrophoresis; Distillation; Vacuum Methods.

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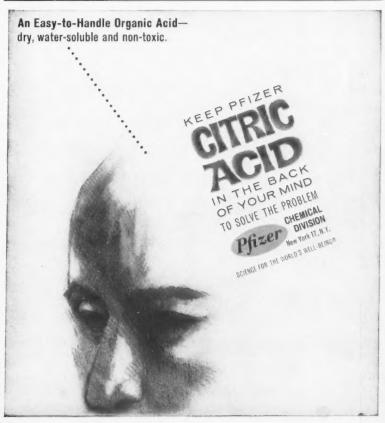
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ENGINEERING MANAGEMENT. 2ND ED. BY S. A. ROBERTSON. PHILO-SOPHICAL LIBRARY. 467 PAGES. \$10.

Reviewed by F. P. LaBelle, Director of Engineering, Inorganic Chemicals Div., Monsanto Chemical Co.

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Part one, The Art of Management, emphasizes that management is not an exact subject, and approaches the worker-manager relationship in a highly idealistic fashion. The author's idea of contract "integration" rather than bargaining would receive little support from any manager experienced in negotiating with an aggressive unionist.

The Science of Management, part two, details the areas where the author feels that information is available to managers with some degree of scientific or organized status, i.e., in law, economics, psychology, physiology, etc.

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Although an occasional reader might find the broad, simplified textbook approach to industrial engineering a helpful reference source, most chemical engineers will find it of limited value.

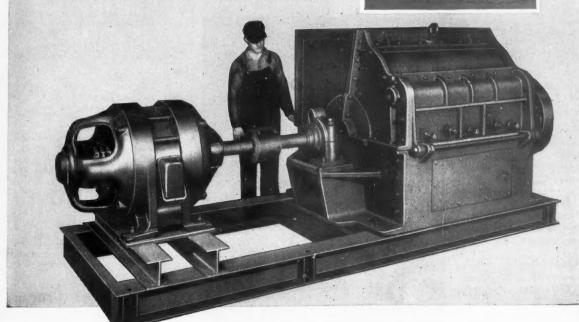
In Rapid Review

Pyridine and Its Derivatives. Part 2. Ed. by E. Klingsberg. Interscience. 576 pages. \$37.50. Part 2 of this series exhaustively reviews the chemistry of pyridine quaternaries, N-oxides, alkyl, aryl, halo, metallo and nitro derivatives and reduction products of the nitro pyridines. Emphasis is on synthetic methods, structure and reaction mechanisms. Little mention is made of medicinal or other uses.

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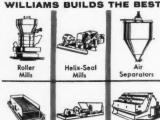
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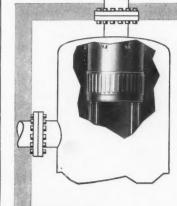
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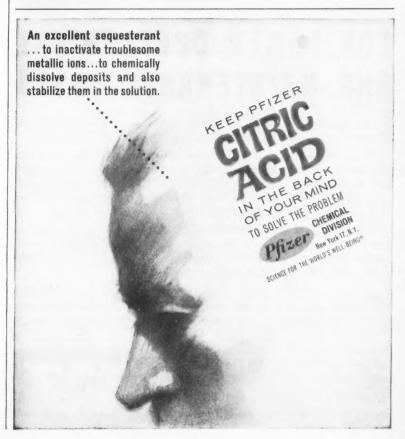


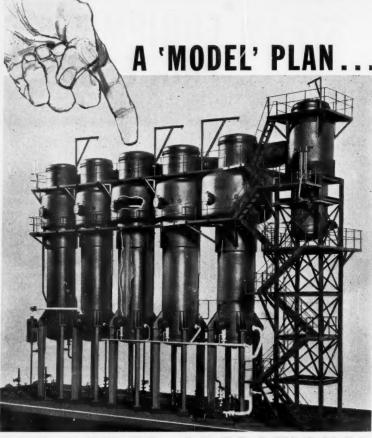
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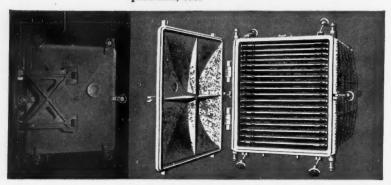
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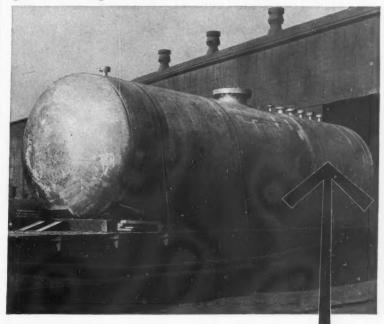
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Marty is entitled to add P.E. after his name, for he holds a California State license as a Professional Chemical Engineer. He has contributed articles on filtration to publications in the petroleum, sugar and swimming pool fields, and is a member of the American Chemical Society, AIChE, Master Brewers Association of America, the American Institute of Sugar Beet Technologists and the Papermakers and Associates of Southern California.

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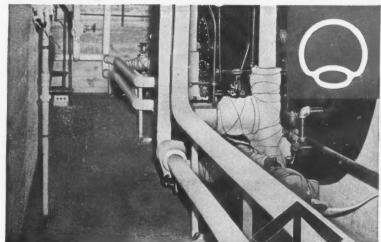
41 *E. I. DuPont de Nemours

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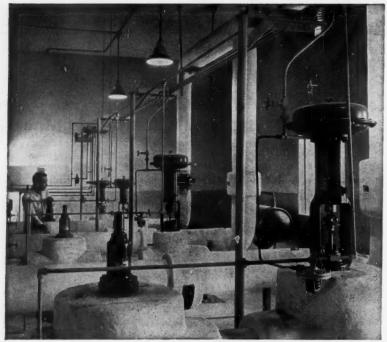
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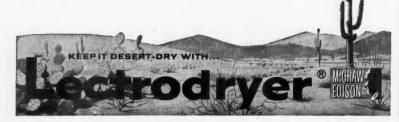
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43 *Chemical & Power Products

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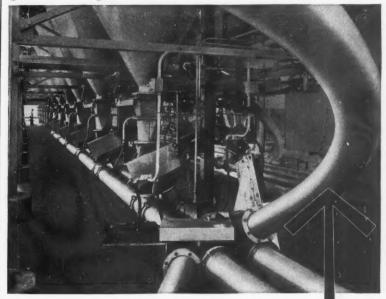
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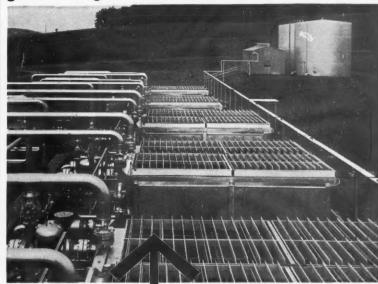
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203 *W. H. Nicholson & Co.

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R176 *Jerguson Gage & Valve Company

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T179 *Magnetrol, Inc.

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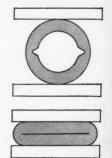
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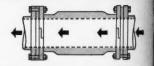
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Transmitters.....New pneumatic bellows flow transmitter makes range changes simply. New pneumatic temperature transmitter offers thermal system options.

42 *Minneapolis-Honeywell

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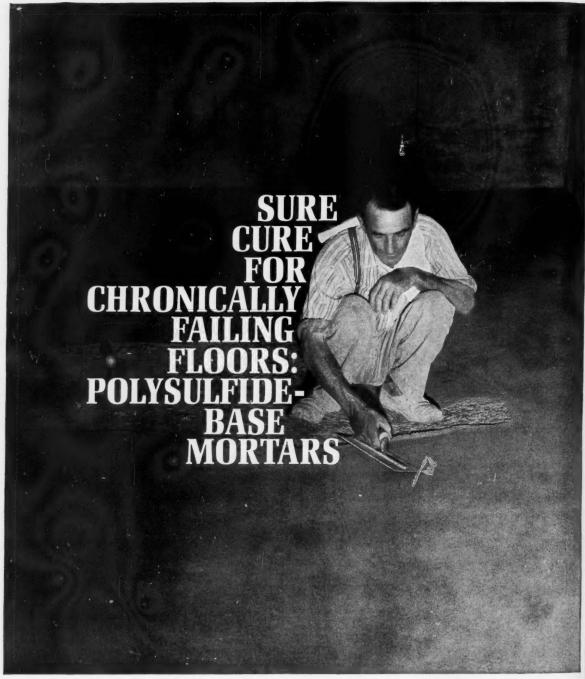
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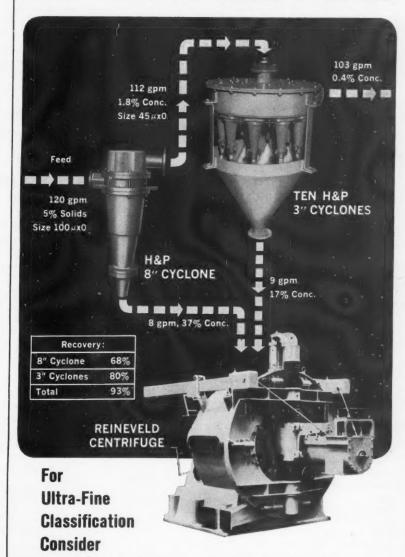
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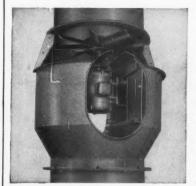
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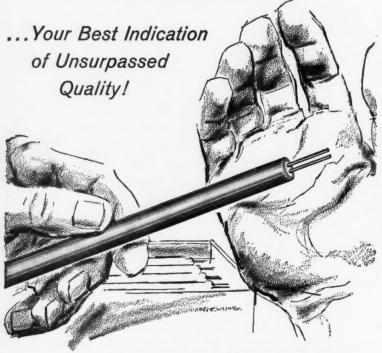
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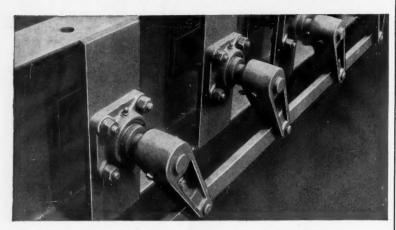
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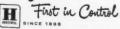
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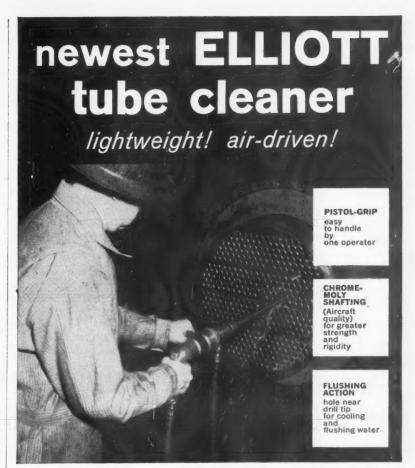
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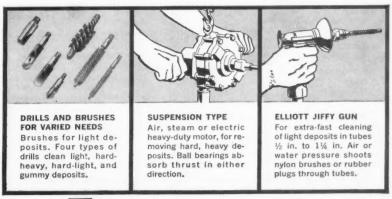




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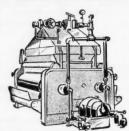
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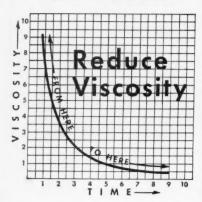
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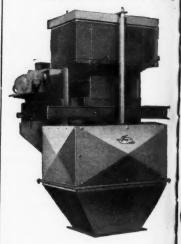
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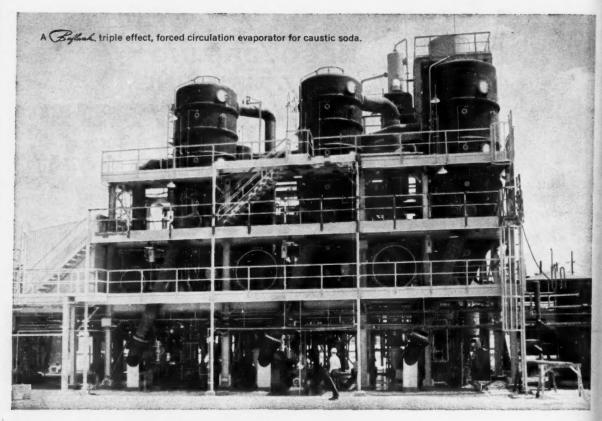
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